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Crisis Response Plan tops list of district goals

by Cheryll Ruley
Staff Writer

After much discussion and in the wake of last April's threat to the safety of students and staff at Grayling High School, the Crawford AuSable School's Board of Education recently adopted District Priority Goals for the 1999-2000 school year.

Number 1 and 2 on the list of 16 priority goals is to develop and implement a district crisis response plan and a pro-active district violence prevention program.

Superintendent Kent Reynolds closed all district schools on Friday, April 30 after a threat written on a boys' restroom wall was discovered the day before, prompting a search of the high school by the Michigan State Police. Schools reopened the following Monday, May 3, after no explosives or dangerous situations were found. After the April 20 shootings at Columbine High School in Colorado left 15 people dead, and the apparent copy-cat threat at Grayling High School and others across the country, the school board will work extensively to develop a set response plan.

Last spring, Reynolds said he had no choice but to close the schools as a safeguard. Personnel at each school held meetings prior to the schools' re-openings to discuss how to manage the situation and rumors in an appropriate manner and held assemblies to explain the incident as well as answer students' concerns. Meetings were also held for parents in the district. According to Crawford County Sheriff David

Lovely, no arrests have been made and the incident remains under investigation.

The controversial topic of high school infrastructure needs was third on the list of goals. The board will continue to meet and aggressively address improvements to the heating system, roof along with other repairs needed at the school. They have made no decision on future bond issues to bring before the voters.

The remaining goals are:

4. Develop and implement a plan for standards-driven assessment in all district classrooms.

5. Develop recommendations for procedures to ensure the systematic assessment of all programs to determine their effectiveness and to guide decision-making regarding continuation of programs, revision of programs, and termination of programs.

6. Complete review of district K-12 art curriculum and materials and development of revised curriculum that is outcomes-based complete with outcomes, objectives, scope and sequence, course outlines, and recommendations for materials as appropriate.

7. Complete the review, revision, and development of K-12 vocational education and technical preparation curriculum as necessary and develop a plan to meet the needs of students in the year 2000.

8. Implement the board-adopted district K-12 language arts curriculum with accompanying materials. Conduct a year-end review with recommendations for adjustments to the curriculum and materials needed

to complete full implementation.

9. Complete development of district K-12 health curriculum within the scope of the content standards and benchmarks, completed by the district health education advisory committee, that is outcomes-based, referenced to district exit outcomes, and complete with program outcomes, objectives, scope and sequence, course outlines, and recommendations for materials as appropriate. Develop an implementation plan. Final recommendations are to be approved by the district health education advisory committee prior to presentation to the board of education for adoption.

10. Through implementation of curriculum based on the Michigan suggested Core Curriculum content standards and benchmarks and the MEAP objectives, MEAP scores will improve.

11. Continue the North Central Association outcomes accreditation endorsement process, completing activities which culminate with each building earning the outcomes accreditation endorsement during the 2000-2001 school year.

12. Develop a master plan for the systematic and pro-active flow of information, pictures and articles to the media, parents and community groups.

13. Within the district social studies curriculum, address the inclusion of world history with a focus on European History at the high school level.

14. Professional development will be scheduled to provide each staff member with the skills neces-

sary to teach the district student technology outcomes skills for which the staff member is responsible.

15. Teachers will participate in the professional development activities necessary to develop the skills each teacher needs to teach the board-adopted district curriculum for which the teacher is responsible.

16. The district personnel committee with representation from administration, professional staff, and support staff will: a) review evaluation procedures for certified and non-certified staff and develop and implement improvements as necessary; b) review procedures for voluntary and involuntary personnel transfers and develop and implement alternatives as deemed necessary; c) develop a written district code of ethics; d) develop and implement a plan to promote increased professional/instructional procedures and skills, and to increase and maintain an exemplary level of professional expectations; and e) review and assess present district hiring practices, develop and implement necessary improvements.

Any questions concerning the 1999-2000 District Priority Goals can be directed to the Board of Education by calling 348-7641. The board meets the third Monday of each month, at 7 p.m., in the conference room.

School. Call for schedule of monthly morning meetings.

Heritage Day 1999



Photo by Cheryll Ruley

LINCOLNS VISIT GRAYLING - Portraying Abraham Lincoln and his wife Mary Todd, Richard and Della Veit were part of the festivities of the Second Annual Heritage Day at the highlights see Page 1B.

City, Township look for solution to lax cemetery maintenance

by Cheryll Ruley
Staff Writer

The Elmwood Cemetery has been the final resting place for local citizens since the late 1800s. A walk through the grounds will provide a walk through local history, featuring such names as Wakeley, Hanson, and Babbitt. But, the hallowed ground has fallen into a sad state in recent days.

"The grass has been mowed only three times this summer," said Grayling Township Supervisor Terry Wright. "Camp Lehman just doesn't have the crews available (to cut grass) as they have in the past."

In 1981, the City of Grayling and Grayling Township signed an agreement to split the cost of maintaining the cemetery for its citizens, with the City in charge of sales and grave maintenance. "The city and township have just not maintained the cemetery as they should have," Wright said. "The 1981 Mutual Agreement really needs updating. The cemetery board hasn't met in eight years."

Wright will meet with City Manager Jerry Morford and Cemetery Sexton Pete Stephan on August 24 to discuss grounds maintenance at Elmwood and the possibility of hiring a full-time employee or a contractor to handle the task.

"We continually get complaints about how bad the cemetery looks," Wright said. "Many people want to know 'when will the cemetery look nicer?... When will the grass get cut?' In the long run, the best solution to the problem would be to hire either a City or Township employee."

A visitor to the cemetery last Thursday, who wished to remain anonymous, said she is glad that her husband's gravesite is near the front

of the cemetery. She was busy seeding the area and planting flowers while explaining that the parts of

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Photo by Cheryll Ruley

CEMETERY ROAD CLOSED - This road in the south end of Elmwood Cemetery was closed recently to create space for more family plots. Other improvements have been proposed for the cemetery, but until the City and Township can figure out a way to get the grass cut regularly, those improvements may have to wait.

New animal shelter one step closer to reality

by Cheryll Ruley
Staff Writer

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources recently issued a quit claim deed to Crawford County for five acres of land, bringing the possibility of a new animal shelter

one step closer to reality.

Eventually, the County Board of Commissioners will sign a 99-year lease with the Animal Shelter of Crawford County at a cost of \$1 per year, leaving the shelter's Board of Directors with only the task of paying for upkeep and operational costs of the new facility. But, finding the funding for the project will be the tough job. A grant from the Weyerhaeuser Foundation may help get the ball rolling.

"We are in the process of writing our grant application to Weyerhaeuser. The deadline is September 1," said shelter board president Joe Porter. The board held Hoop Fest during marathon week activities to begin their official fund raising for the shelter's building project and more fund raisers are forthcoming.

"The shelter's board is very appreciative of all the support it has received from Lynette Corlew and the commissioners," said Porter. "Susan Thiel of the DNR has been very helpful, too. The community has also been behind the effort."

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners, both present and past, have been supportive of the quest to find a piece of land suitable for a new shelter. The shelter's board has faced setbacks in the past three years, most notably the "not in my backyard" reaction to proposed locations. "As long as the animal shelter is 20 miles away from here, it was okay with people," remarked Porter. The recently deeded five-acre site adjacent to the county fairgrounds has been no exception.

When the site was originally proposed, the Grayling Youth Booster Club had some concerns about safety and proximity to their activities on athletic fields the club has developed on the fairground property, most specifically road access.

"John Alef, bless his heart, was able to help us resolve that issue by proposing a separate drive into the shelter's property to be set back in the woods," Porter said.

A conceptual drawing of the proposed shelter and grounds has been

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Accident leaves Troy man injured

by Cheryll Ruley
Staff Writer

A broadside, two-car accident at M-18 and M-72 East sent one man to the hospital last Thursday, August 12.

According to the Crawford County Sheriff's Office, Daniel Finkelstein of Troy was driving north on M-18 in a black BMW. After stopping at the intersection, he proceeded across M-72 East to McMasters Bridge Road, driving into the path of a vehicle traveling east on M-72 driven by Kevin Schults of Jenison, resulting in major impact to the driver's side of the BMW.

Responding to the accident at 5:38 p.m. were members of the Sheriff's Department, South Branch Township Fire and EMS, and North Flight out of Grayling.

Finkelstein received a head injury in the accident and was transported to Grayling Mercy Hospital's emergency room where he was treated and later transferred to Traverse City for more extensive treatment. According to the sheriff's report, Finkelstein was the only person taken to the hospital.

A sheriff's office spokesperson said Finkelstein has been in contact with the department and is recovering from his injuries.

County applies for \$225,000 snowmobile trail/bridge grant

by Cheryll Ruley
Staff Writer

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners agreed by unanimous vote to sign a grant application, presented by Col. Gary McConnell at a recent meeting, that will help bring a snowmobile trail through Grayling, including a bridge to cross the AuSable River adjacent to the railroad tracks.

The county is applying for a Michigan Department of Transportation grant not to exceed \$225,000 to help local snowmobile

enthusiasts, cross country skiers, hikers, and cyclists create their proposed trails.

The Trails Committee has already had an engineering study completed for a trail from Grayling High School to Hartwick Pines State Park. The next phases include connecting that trail to one running through Grayling and south to connect with the Four Mile Trail.

If the money is granted for county recreational development, the board will turn the money over for use on the trail and bridge project.

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Well, I decided to find out who these "bad" people were. To my shock, I learned that it was my father who had caused the problem. My paternal ancestry is Jewish and my mother is Catholic. In order for my father to marry my mother he had to convert to Catholicism. When he did, his family denounced him. At this point my mother has no idea that I've contacted my father's relatives. In time I'll break the news to her.

So far the only contact I've had with my new found relatives is by phone. I would very much like to meet them in person because they're ready to bury the hatchet. I'm just out of college and have student loans, car payments, rent, insurance, utilities, etc. I can't afford the \$550 round trip airfare. I'd have to fly because I couldn't take 2 weeks off from work. I can get a long weekend, but that's all. I suppose you think I should ask them for the money. I'm sorry, but my pride wouldn't allow it. It was I who made the initial contact and my idea to meet them in person. I realize this isn't a life and death thing, so either way you decide will be OK with me.

Mr. C. O. ... Thrifty Nickel, San Antonio

Dear Mr. O.: I admire you for your initiative. Then I found myself asking if I'd feel the same way had you been raised Jewish and found out that your paternal relatives were Catholic. I would hope so, but we'll never really know for sure. I'm sending \$600 with the understanding that when you can afford it, you will gift \$300 to a Catholic charity and

\$300 to a Jewish charity. After all, that's who you are by ancestry.



Dear Mr. Ross: One step forward and two steps back. That pretty much sums up my life. Six months ago I began to live my dream. I'm in business for myself after having worked and made money for everyone else. I opened my own coffee shop and I love it. I'm building relationships with business people who are a great networking resource, in addition to getting to know the casual drop-ins who like to chat. I work just as hard, but now I have the incentive. I'm also able to teach my children a good work ethic, plus they help me out in the summer months to earn a few bucks.

The last thing on my "wish list" is for health insurance. I'm probably another 6 months out from affording it. It was more important to get the business insured (a law suit would do me in), so I put health care on the back burner. My kids are still insured by my ex-husband. Well, wouldn't you know I found a fairly large lump in my breast. I got a free mammogram and now I need a biopsy to determine whether or not it's cancerous. Because I'm not insured, the doctor needs partial payment of \$425 up front. I'm scared, but I think it's the not knowing that's the worst. Could I trouble you for \$425? I suppose I could go on not knowing, but I don't think that's the best plan.

Ms. P. C. ... The Shopper, Tucson, AZ

Dear Ms. C.: No news is good news, but not seeking out the answer in this case would be blatant stupidity. By way of my forthcoming \$425, please schedule your breast biopsy. Then pray for the best, but be prepared to expect the worst and know that I'm in your corner to support you. Best wishes and keep me posted.

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Road Commission, Grayling Township to fix up Summet Ave.

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

Grayling Township and the Road Commission for Crawford County are currently planning to reconstruct a portion of Summet Avenue near Lake Margrethe, including the addition of a new boat launch.

The construction project will improve the road, add drainage, and install a boat launch at the end of Summet Avenue. Currently, people do use the end of Summet to put boats in Lake Margrethe, but there isn't a true "boat launch" at the location.

"People do use the area to launch, but there's no boat launch," said Don Babcock, Road Commission Managing Director. "The construction is not really intended to promote a lot of boat launching at that location. It's used occasionally, and will be constructed as such."

The entire project has been estimated at \$13,000, which the Road Commission expects to split with the township 50/50, Babcock said.



Photo by Caleb Casey

JOINT EFFORT - Grayling Township and the Road Commission will split the cost of ending soil erosion and adding a small boat launch to the Summet Avenue access on Lake Margrethe.

Beaver Creek works on special use permit for 7 Mile gravel pit

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

A gravel pit on 7 Mile Road in Beaver Creek Township is in the process of being sold, which has brought about the creation of a special use permit for the location, since the pit has been unused for so long.

At the request of the Beaver Creek Township Planning Commission, which is handling the special use permit, the Road Commission for Crawford County has come up with a tentative agreement for maintenance and improvement of 7 Mile Road, which would have to be signed by the owner of the gravel pit before the permit is approved.

While drafting the agreement, the Road Commission has worked with both the prospective new owner of the gravel pit and the Beaver Creek Planning Commission.

The agreement (which is not yet approved at this

point) would commit the pit owner to providing a specified amount of gravel each year to be used by the Road Commission in maintaining 7 Mile Road. The agreement would also establish a schedule for paving a half-mile of the road (from the pavement east of I-75 to Merrio Road).

Road Commission Board members said the agreement is intended to protect the Road Commission from having to pour money into 7 Mile Road maintenance, and yet not be prohibitive to the prospective new owner.

"I myself am kind of tickled there's going to be another source (of gravel) out there," said Commissioner Robert Nelson. Nelson noted that the gravel pit, coupled with the possibility of an asphalt plant being installed at the location, should help boost the area's tax base.

The maintenance and road improvement agreement is currently still being finalized. One issue the Road Commission still has to decide is how

much 7 Mile Road should be worked on before the company is ready to haul gravel out of the pit.

"I would like to see it brought up to code," said Commissioner Nelson. "It costs more to keep making repairs than to build it up in the first place."

Beaver Creek Planning Commission Chairman Ed Holtcamp agreed. "I tend to believe that the better condition you get that road in now, the better it'll be in five years," he said.

"It's a good business proposition for them," he added. "They have to get in and out of there."

The special use permit and road improvement agreement will contain a section stating that the permit will be revoked if the terms of the agreement, once it is approved, are not met by the pit owner.

"I don't think we're asking them to do anything unjustified," said Road Board Chairman Ray Swiercz.

New animal shelter one step closer to becoming reality

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drawn up by retired engineer, Ed Parks. Porter said that he, Parks, shelter director Dixie Lobsinger, and

local veterinarian Paul Mesack have put their heads together on what is needed in a new shelter for the county. Shelter board member Ward Parker reviewed their findings and helped fine tune the plans.

"Parks helped us determine what we could build," said Porter. "We are trying to be realistic by keeping the cost to around \$200,000." He also said there is a possibility the new shelter may have to start off smaller than originally planned, but allowing for future expansion. "We really tried to come up with ideas and a design that will help Dixie with her efforts," he said. "Dixie is incredible. She's a gem."

The shelter board is considering asking the military to help with site development. "There are about five

acres that need to be prepared before we can build anything," Porter said. "There are trees to be cleared and a road to be built."

Porter said he doesn't see any work getting started this year, but remarked, "If we can get some right help, maybe we can finally get this project done."

One of the questions on the Weyerhaeuser grant application is, "How will success of the project be measured?" Porter said there are three things that will be marks of success: creating a safe and healthy environment for the animals and the people who work directly with the animals; increased adoptions; and the ability to recruit more volunteers.

"Right now, with the shelter so small, it is very hard for Dixie to get volunteers," said Porter. "You get in the shelter and can only go a few steps before there's nowhere to go."

The shelter is always in need of volunteers. Lobsinger remarked last week that she doesn't know how much longer she will last doing this job. "Most people in my position last maybe two or three years," she said. "I have been doing this for 13 years and it gets very tiring trying to find new ways to pay for food and supplies to run this shelter."

Lobsinger has been watching her volunteer ranks diminish over the

past year. Some of her high school age volunteers have moved on to take paying jobs and adult volunteers are few and far between. And, just when she thinks she has a manageable population of orphans at the shelter, more come in to her care. "I took in 21 dogs in three days last week. We had a lady with 11 dogs have a stroke and I got all of her dogs. The food is costing a fortune and there's just not room for them all."

According to County Controller Paul Compo, the county allocates about \$6,000 a year to the shelter to offset the cost of boarding animals. The shelter also receives 80% of the dog license fees collected for operational expenses. "Dixie depends quite a bit on donations," Compo remarked.

Anyone wishing to donate money to the present shelter's operating fund can send it to: Animal Shelter of Crawford County, P.O. Box 869, Grayling, MI 49738. Those who wish to volunteer or donate pet food should call the shelter at 348-4117. Glen's certificates and Spartan brand UPCs are also welcome.

Anyone wishing to donate money to the new shelter building fund can send it to: Animal Shelter of Crawford County Project Fund, P.O. Box 384, Grayling, MI 49738.



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City, Township look for solution to lax cemetery maintenance

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Elmwood that can be seen from the road "always look good." She said parts of the cemetery that can't be seen from the road "are in awful shape. You can see patches of grass that have been mowed by family members among those that haven't been taken care of." Unfortunately, upon investigation, this was found to be true.

In a joint review of cemetery needs in November 1998, Stephan and Wright agreed to raise service fees and plot prices. They also agreed that a \$100,000 irrigation system for watering the Elmwood's grounds was "cost prohibitive."

Plans were then made to close off a road in the cemetery and plant grass seed to create room for family plots when it was discovered that only 149 single plots remained. The road has been closed, but whether the area has been seeded is unapparent. According to a letter written by Stephan to Morford after the November review, the entrance road was to be paved and the others repaired and gravelled to prevent

further erosion. This task has also not been completed.

Wright said there is a six-acre area designated for future expansion of which one or two acres are ready for development into additional gravesites.

"We are very anxious to get started," Wright said. "We would like to see someone in place by mid-September and are confident that the cemetery will look better almost immediately."

"We owe it to the people to do what it takes to restore the honor, pride, and respect to the place where our ancestors are buried."

LACK OF UPKEEP - This gravesite (right) has been invaded by tree roots and left untended for a time. Next week, the City of Grayling and Grayling Township will discuss hiring a full-time maintenance worker or contractor to take care of groundskeeping.



Library board finds need for new county library building

Members of the Crawford County Library Board of Directors have been working overtime recently to determine what services the public will demand from the library over the next 20 to 30 years. Internet services, increased book demands, more varied and sophisticated children's programs all are on the list for the future.

But, according to the board, the one thing that has become very apparent is that to provide services currently in demand and those forecasted for the future, a new and larger building must be built.

"The current library building has just under 4,000 square feet on two floors," said library board president Judy Hammond. "It just isn't big enough for the population it serves and it is becoming more inadequate every day."

With county-wide population projections of 20,000 within ten years, Hammond said the community needs a library of at least 10,000 square feet to provide the computers, book collection and program areas needed to meet demands.

"We are working to design a building and find a suitable location for a new library. Then we'll have to bring it to the voters to see if they want to pay for it," said Hammond.

The present library building was built and opened in 1966. The adult book collection, two computer terminals, computerized card catalog, reference collection and video collection are all on the main floor,

with a small check-in/out and cataloging area shared by four employees.

The basement holds the children's collection, a small study area and a storage and utility room.

Hammond said not only is the building crowded, but it also has a dysfunctional water system, and is located where children have to cross the busy I-75 Business Loop in Grayling. She also said the basement and bathrooms are not accessible to handicapped or disabled persons.

"The plumbing is so inept that the basement often floods when a toilet is flushed -- but it may be already flooded from heavy rain. Foundation leaks allow rain to seep through the walls. It's not unusual to have six inches of water in the basement."

"We also need to make the library safe for children to reach. The I-75 Business Loop is one of the busiest streets I've ever seen. It's next to impossible for a child to walk across that street safely."

The library board has been working with Ed Parks, a retired architectural engineer, to design, locate, and outfit a new building. Parks is the former Chief Executive Officer of Albert Kahn and Associates, one of the largest engineering consulting firms in the world. He is providing his consulting services free of charge to the library board.

"As a resident of Grayling now, I don't think there is any greater need

than a new library," Parks said. "I'm happy to be able to offer any help that I can. We have a first-draft design of a one-story, modest building of 10,000 square feet which should meet all the needs of the community for quite a few years."

One group that shares the mission on the library board is the Friends of the Library. Consisting of a group of concerned citizens, the Friends have made raising money for a new library their one and only cause. Their recent book sale on Marathon day netted nearly \$700.

Library statistics throughout the country over the past several years have shown a marked increase in computer use, something that is woefully inadequate in the local library, according to Hammond.

"Our two work stations are busy almost every minute we're open and there are always people waiting to use them. Realistically, we should have half a dozen computers in both the adult and children's areas," Hammond said.

Although the board has not made a determination as to where a new building might be located, two potential building sites have been identified. One site is near the Grayling Elementary School and the other is near the new site of the Grayling Baptist Church on Madsen Street.

Regardless of where a new library building is to be built, Hammond said the next challenge will be convincing the voters to support a \$1

million to \$1.5 million millage proposal.

"I don't think anyone will deny the need," Hammond said. "A million-and-a-half dollars is a small price to pay for a good library. I hope the voters agree with me when the time comes to ask them."

The members of the Crawford County Library Board of Directors include Hammond, Terry Wright, Sharon Hartman, Loretta Hassan and Sandra Briney.

Tracie Compton is the current Crawford County librarian.

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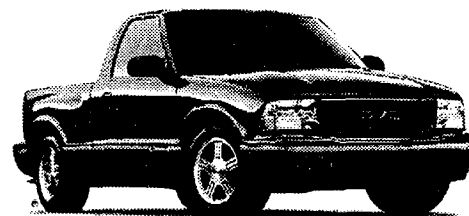
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V-6, auto, air, cassette, rear defogger, low miles
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County offers way to get rid of old tires

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

Old tires seem to be one of the hardest things to dispose of properly these days and Crawford County Environmental Monitor Pat Merrill said he has seen too many tires dumped on state and other lands.

The tires are a nuisance, said Merrill, because no one really wants to have to deal with their proper disposal, they are a danger to the environment if they catch fire and they are a breeding ground for mosquitoes when left full of stagnant rain water.

MDOT office offers 800 number for updates

The new Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) Transportation Service Center (TSC) in Grayling, located on Hartwick Pines Road, is now open for business.

For updated information regarding MDOT construction projects in the area, local residents can call the following toll-free number: (888) 811-MDOT.

NOTE: In the August 5 edition of *The Avalanche* the toll-free number for the Grayling TSC was listed incorrectly. *The Avalanche* apologizes for the error.

To help alleviate the problem, at least in Crawford County, Merrill has arranged for an inexpensive and easy way to dispose of as many as 1,200 old tires with Tire Disposal Day on September 11.

Residents can bring their old tires to the Crawford County Building parking lot that day, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. for disposal. Cost is \$1.50 per tire and \$2 per tire for those still on the rim. Rims will not be returned to the owners, but recycled, too.

Merrill pointed out it costs \$7.50 per tire if taken to the landfill and there really are no other options out there to discourage people from

"dumping them in the woods."

"This is not a money-making venture for the County," Merrill said. "We are charging residents the same price that we are being charged for disposal."

Questions about Crawford County Tire Disposal Day may be directed to Merrill at (517) 344-3258 or Bruce Leonard at (517) 344-3274.

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GRAND TRAVERSE FOOT NOTES

by Ronald K. Olm, D.P.M.

HAMMERTOES

Hammer toe is a condition in which the toe bends in a claw-like position. Most often due to a misalignment of the toe joints, hammertoes can occur in any of the foot's four smaller toes. It happens most often in the second toe, when a bunion angles the big toe toward and under it, pushing it up. A person with high- or low-arched feet is prone to developing hammertoes because the toes tend to stay in a bent position. Ill-fitting shoes or socks that bunch the toes together can aggravate hammertoes and cause pain on the bony top area and at the end of the toe. Constant friction may cause a hard corn to develop over the bony area.

If surgery is the recommended course of action to get rid of hammertoes, you'll be glad to know that today's techniques make

the process easier and faster and recovery is much more comfortable than just a few years ago. If you are a victim of hammertoes, consider professional help from GRAND TRAVERSE FOOT & ANKLE CENTER, P.C. Our techniques are up-to-date, with three basic goals: to relieve pain, restore function and improve appearance. For a consultation, please call us at 922-9100 & 800-968-7440, 1209 E. 8th Street, Traverse City. Offices in Traverse City, also Kalkaska Memorial Health Center Monday & Wednesday afternoons and evenings.

P.S. Treating hammertoes usually involves wearing deeper shoes, using shoe inserts or pads and paring down corns. Surgery is sometimes recommended to straighten the toe or remove the prominent area of bone.



OPINIONS



ALMANACK

by Richard Milliman

Kennedy family has something special

LET'S SHARE the modest podium provided by The Almanack this week with thoughts of other folks, all of much more public consequence than I.

THE KENNEDYS --Syndicated columnist Tony Snow, former speech writer for Republican presidents and radio fill-in for right wing icon Rush Limbaugh, in the wake of the death of John F. Kennedy, Jr., offered kind and thoughtful comments about the Kennedy family:

"Forget about ideology for a moment and think about more important things. The Kennedys seem to have achieved something that eludes most of us. They have built a bond that spans generations and branches of the family. The cousins know each other more than in passing. The dozens of men and women, boys and girls descended from Joseph and Rose Kennedy give each other love and joy and strength. That is not a bad

model to emulate."

HILLARY CLINTON -- Washington Post columnist Richard Cohen wonders in print about America's First Family's political judgment:

"The culprit this time is Hillary. She has reopened the whole seamy tale of Oval Office non-sex sex by granting an interview to *Talk* magazine. Besides being unnecessary, it is so dopey in places that we can only conclude that her husband strayed partially because he craved intellectual companionship. Hillary may test well -- and she gives a great speech -- but in matters of common sense she is a bit of a ditz. Monica, at least, knew the score."

Marianne Means, Hearst Newspapers columnist, sees the Hillary interview in a kinder light, designed to put behind her any nagging questions about the Clinton marriage:

"A single interview that is nearly as opaque as her prolonged silence may not do the trick. She may still have to say more. But given the circumstances, it was politically astute to begin baring her soul more than a year before the election. Maybe, just maybe, the subject will be exhausted long before election day."

VIOLENT YOUTH -- Walter Williams, economics professor and syndicated columnist, commenting on the seeming avalanche of youth violence:

"Everyone from the president to congressional leaders have called for research and conferences to find out why many of today's youth are violent and decadent. One thing for sure is that they'll probably invite the very people whose half-baked ideas are largely responsible for the corruption of today's youth: members of the education establishment, psychologists, sociologists

and people in the entertainment industry. Other than setting a good moral example, the best thing the President and Congress can do for the youth of America is to butt out."

GUN CONTROL -- Recent congressional debate about tighter gun control brought out all sorts of tangents, including how teaching evolution may prompt violence, and House GOP Whip Tom DeLay from Texas was in the middle of it.

Molly Ivins -- syndicated columnist, proud Texan, avowed liberal, and delightful writer -- took dead aim at Mr. DeLay, who is one of her favorite targets:

"Obviously, being taught that we are nothing but glorified apes who are evolutionized out of some primordial soup of mud is enough to drive anyone to violence. I should point out that Tom DeLay himself is exceptionally good evidence for the theory

that man is descended from monkeys. And darn recently, too."

ROTARY WISDOM -- Tidbits to ponder, reprinted from Rotary Magazine:

-- Busy people have a strong will; lazy people have a strong won't.

-- To improve your lot in life, improve your life a lot.

-- One trouble with ignorance is that it picks up confidence as it goes along.

-- Sometimes the worst thing you can take for aches and pains is somebody else's advice.

-- When it comes to drawing the line, most of us circle the problem.

-- No statue has ever been erected for someone who let well enough alone.

Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

HEALTHLINE

August is Breast Feeding Month

by Linda DeMarchis, M.A., Health Educator

This column is presented as a public service to the community by District Health Department No. 10, which covers a ten county area. If you have any questions you would like answered in this column, please send them to: Health Education Department, in care of your local Health Department.

August is Breast Feeding Month

Question: I am a young woman expecting my first baby. Several of my friends are breast feeding their new babies and are really enjoying the experience. They think breast-feeding is becoming more popular than ever. Popular or not, I want to provide the best nutrition for my lit-

tle one. Can you give me some information on this natural way to feed infants?

Signed: Mother-to-be

Answer: Your friends are right on the popularity of breast feeding. In the Northern and Western Michigan areas, breast feeding is on the increase thanks, in part, to the WIC Nutrition Program, physicians, dieticians, nurses and other health professionals who encourage it, and the new mothers who are more than willing to give it a try. Often, more than 20% of the infants born in these areas are breast fed.

Breast feeding has enormous biological, psychological and economic benefits for mother and child. Here are just a few:

- Breast fed infants have fewer ear

and upper respiratory infections, less allergies, or asthma

- Breast fed infants experience less severe diarrhea, constipation, stomach upset, or spitting up

- They are less likely to die from SIDS

- They are less likely to develop allergic reactions

-Long chain fatty acids in human milk promote brain growth and some research suggests that breast fed infants may score higher on mental achievement tests

- The new mother feels more relaxed from the release of hormones that breast feeding encourages

- Mothers who nurse have a lower incidence of pre-menopausal breast cancer

- Breast milk is always warm,

sterile, convenient, and ready to eat. There is no need to mix formulas and warm bottles. There is also no need to spend money on expensive formula.

Although breast-feeding is basically a natural experience, there are some hints that will make it more successful for you. It is helpful to attend a breast feeding class, often part of the childbirth classes offered at the hospital. Or, contact your local Health Department for more information before your baby is born. Equally important is the need to get in contact with a professional as soon as possible if you are having any concerns after you start breast-feeding. Then, enjoy the experience of feeding your new baby in the most nutritious, natural way possible.

EDITOR

Paddler impressed with Grayling spirit

To the editor,

When my partner Lisa and I registered for our first AuSable River Canoe Marathon many months ago, we had no idea what we were getting into. It was a little bit intimidating to think of us two little squirts tackling this big race, far away from Massachusetts.

We had heard of the tremendous community support for this race, but the warmth and hospitality that we encountered from the moment we arrived in Grayling was greater than we ever imagined we would find. We had a great time, and heard nothing but kind and encouraging words

everywhere we went for nine memorable days.

For a community the size of Grayling to produce a race of such outstanding quality is a real statement about the spirit of the residents and businesses that choose to get involved in so many different ways. And for any town to extend such friendship and generosity to its visitors speaks volumes about the character of the entire community.

I look forward to returning for another marathon, hopefully next year. Go Grayling!

Abby Kingman
Goshen, Massachusetts

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AVALANCHE DEADLINES

Community Briefs items submitted to *The Avalanche* must be turned in to the office by Monday noon, to appear in that week's issue.

Photographs must be turned in to the office by noon on Friday for consideration in the next issue.

News items and letters should be submitted on 8 1/2-x-11 inch paper, typed, and double-spaced.

Handwritten items must also have ample space between each line; on lined

paper use every other line.

Classified ads by the word must be turned in by Tuesday noon and have to be paid for in advance or they will not be published.

Classified display ads must be turned in by Monday noon.

Full page, half page, or color display ads must be turned in by Thursday at 5 p.m.

The deadline for all display ads smaller than a half page is Friday at 5 p.m.

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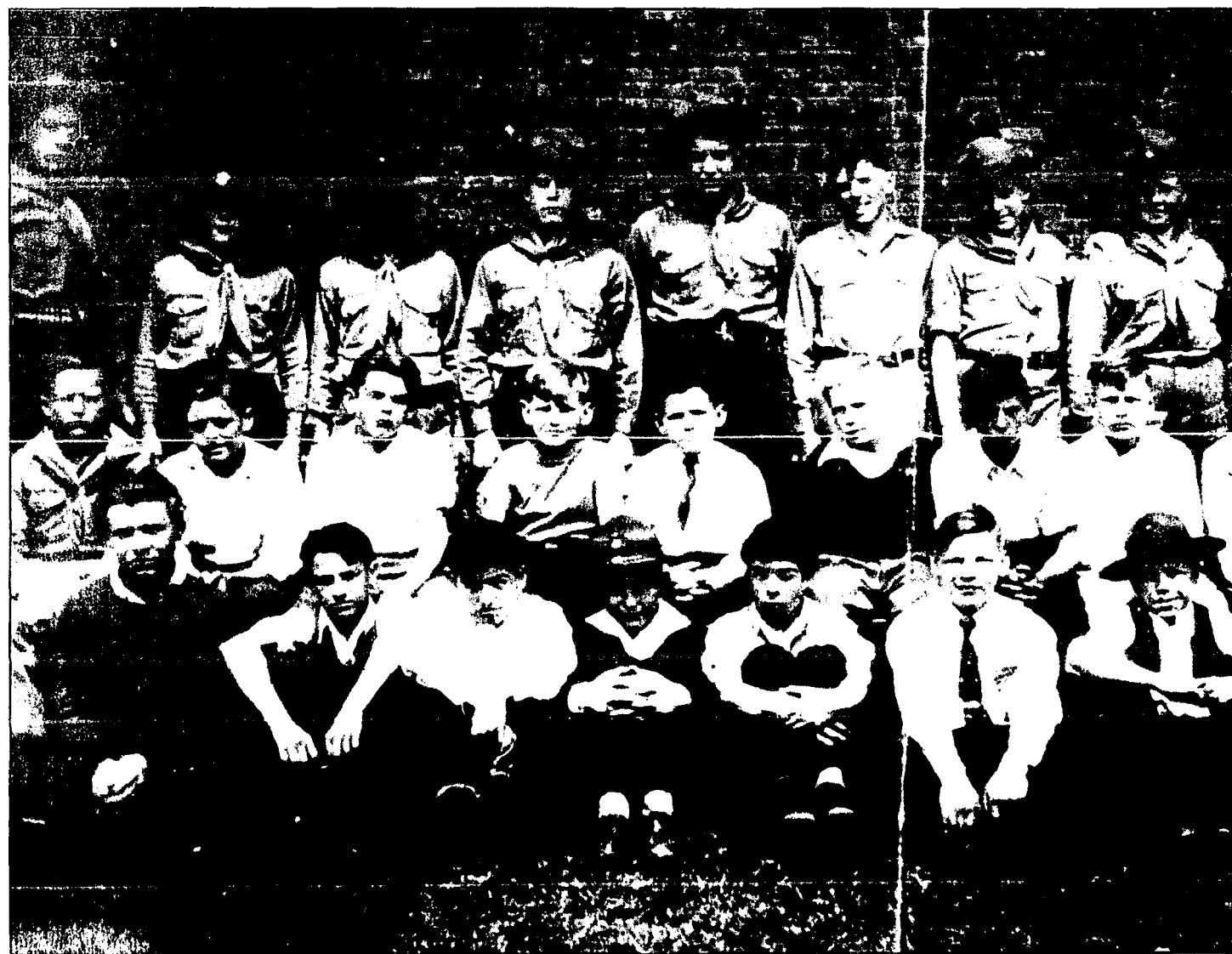


Photo submitted by Wesley Smith

TROOP 72 -- Shown here is Grayling Boy Scout Troop 72 in 1934 just two years into its birth. Front row: Bill Meilstrup, Don Feldhauser, Joe Cochanowski, Edward Martin, Walter SanCartier, John Mathews, Paul Lovely; Middle Row: Jack McClain, George Smith, Arthur Decker, Bob Herbison, Chuck McNamara, Einer Tahvonen, Theon Deckrow, Fred Westerholm, Tracy Nelson; Back Row: Bill Joseph, Fred Welsh, John Henry Peterson, Tom Welsh, Wayne Nellist, Bill Kraus, Bill Stock, Walter Skingley, Forrest Brado.

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BRIEFS

Logging History thru music and stories

Michael Deren will present his popular *Past in Person* program at the Hartwick Pines Logging Museum on Saturday, August 21, at 8 p.m. Michigan's lumberjacks come alive through stories and songs presented in this program.

Lions' Lucky 13 winner announced

The Grayling Lions Lucky 13 Raffle winner of \$300 for week #13 is Marlyn Neuberger.

Middle School schedules orientation

On Thursday, August 26, beginning at 6 p.m., the Grayling Middle School will be hosting an orientation for 6th grade students and parents.

SHARE Program changes pick-up hours

The SHARE community service food program has changed its pick-up hours on August 27 to 12:30 p.m. to 2 p.m. Please make note of the change.

Women's Pool League now forming

There will be a Women's Pool League sign-up and meeting at The Sawmill on Monday, August 23 at 6:15 p.m. New teams are welcome.

Grayling Soccer Club now taking sign-ups

The Grayling Soccer Club (GSC) has begun registration for the Fall '99/ Spring '00 season.

The team emphasizes having fun, fair play and skills development.

"The level of play is excellent and requires a commitment to the game of soccer and to your team," said Coach Steve Langseth.

Try to sign up early, as there are no try-outs and team size is limited.

Registration forms are available at Sylvester's in Grayling. Registration is open to boys and girls ages 10 to 18.

GSC plans to form teams in the following categories: under 19, under 14 and under 12. Teams will travel to other locations around

northern Michigan to play games.

The cost for sign-up will be \$40 for the two seasons. This registration fee includes the soccer jersey and socks. The player supplies shorts, shin guards and cleats.

Goalkeeper camp is planned for August 16-18, and field player camp is scheduled for August 23-27. Information on these camps can be picked up at Sylvester's.

For more information about camps or the GSC teams call Steve Langseth at 348-2019.

A WAZA training camp is being planned for players age 10-18. Cost will be about \$25, please call Steve Langseth at 348-2019 for more details.

KCC Action Center plans golf outing

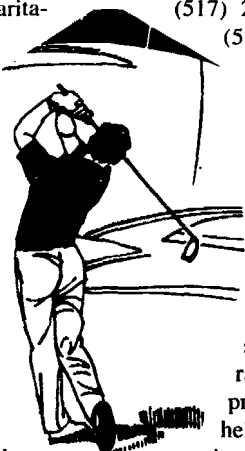
The Volunteer Action Center will hold its first annual Volunteer Cup golf outing at the Fox Run Country Club, Four Mile Road, Grayling on Thursday, September 2. This is the first attempt by the Center, a non-profit organization, headquartered at Kirtland Community College (KCC), to stage such a charitable event.

The golf outing format is an 18-hole, two-person team scramble which gets underway with a "shotgun" start at 9 a.m.

Competition categories will include mens', womens' and mixed teams with equal prizes for each group.

In addition to the usual skill events, one of the event's sponsors will award a new car to a person who makes a hole-in-one on a designated hole.

KCC Vice President, Richard Silverman, who is serving as chairman of the Outing, said, "It should really be a fun day. We're going to use a 'Peoria' format for the outing which tends to even out the playing field for all handicaps and gives everyone a better chance to win. It's a great event and it's for a good cause."



The entry fee for the Volunteer Cup Outing is \$55 per golfer which includes greens fee, cart, prizes, refreshments on the course, and a luncheon.

Persons interested in registering for the Outing should contact committee members: Donna Pflum (517) 275-8083; Kim Wright (517) 826-4010; or the

Kirtland Volunteer Action Center (517) 275-7023, 10775 N. St. Helen Road, Roscommon, MI 48653.

Volunteer Action Center Board President, Larry Meier, Prudenville, said the group hopes to raise \$3,000 from the proceeds of the Outing to help the Center continue its work in providing volunteer recruitment and referral services, a four-county resource directory, agency volunteer needs surveys and similar services to Crawford, Roscommon, Ogemaw and Oscoda counties.

"These services," said Meier, "make it possible for the Center to find volunteers to tutor a child, coach a team, deliver a meal, offer a ride, make a brochure, build an access ramp, and dozens of other tasks to help people."

Grayling Co-op Preschool to hold Open House

The Grayling Cooperative Preschool will be holding an Open House on August 25 beginning at 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. for all three- and four-year old children. All area children are welcome to visit the school with their parents located at 707 Ingham Street. There will be coffee and juice to enjoy while meeting the preschool's teacher Brenda Ormsbee and teacher aide Becky DeLine.

The Grayling Cooperative Preschool is a non-profit organization run by the parents of enrolled children. They have openings for three- and four-year old children and welcome any inquiries. Anyone unable to make a visit to the school on August 25 should call the Membership Chairperson Cory Dean at 348-2434 for information on enrollment.

The Grayling Cooperative Preschool, Inc. admits students of any race, color, religion, or national origin.

Correction

Due to an error in the reporting system, the 83rd District Court report in the August 12 issue of the *Avalanche* mistakenly reported that Randy John Robare of Roscommon had been convicted of impaired driving. The incident did not happen.

We sincerely regret the mistake and apologize for any embarrassment caused by the report.

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1999 Beaver Creek Picnic Schedule

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| 9 a.m. | Horseshoe Tournament - Singles and Doubles |
| 11:30 a.m. | Parade Formation at Grayling Moose Lodge |
| Noon | Parade Starts - Remember to wear and display your favorite team's colors |
| 1 p.m. | Registration Begins - Everyone must register to receive picnic lunch ticket, door prize ticket and grand prize drawing ticket. |
| 1:30 p.m. | Games and Activities start for all ages - Bingo, Dunk Tank, Children's games, Door Prize drawings begin, "Whopper Hopper" bake sale and live auction. |
| 2:30 p.m. | "The Mark of Magic" - C. Mark Bellinger - a 45 minute Magic Show for kids of all ages. |
| 5 p.m. | Tailgate picnic - Catered by Suzin's Cruzin Cafe |
| 6 p.m. | Grand Prize Drawing - \$300 grand prize, donated by Weyerhaeuser Corporation |
| 6:30 p.m. | Kountry Klass Band - Live music for your listening and dancing pleasure - Everyone Welcome. |

Card of Thanks

We would like to thank the following businesses and people for making our Heritage Day hot dog sale so successful:

Charlie Fick, Glen's Market, The Sawmill, Shelley Pinkelman, Linda Gawnick (for all her valuable advice), Deb Weaver, Kiwanis Club, Crawford County Historic Society, and Northern Pure Ice.

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Wednesday - 6:30 pm
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FRI 20	•GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ St. Mary's Catholic Church, 12 noon & 8 pm. Call John W. 348-1776 or Marsh S. 348-1307 for more information.
SAT 21	•LOGGING HISTORY THRU MUSIC AND STORIES! Michael Deren will present his popular <i>Past in Person</i> program at the Hartwick Pines Logging Museum at 8:00 p.m.
SUN 22	•GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ St. Francis Episcopal Church, 8 pm. Call John W. 348-1776 or Marsh S. 348-1307 for more information. •ATTEND THE CHURCH of your choice today. •MICHELSON MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH annual picnic will be held at Hartwick Pines Pavilion. Worship at 11 a.m., potluck dinner to follow. Bring large dish to pass, your own table service and lawn chairs. Beverage will be furnished.
MON 23	•KIWANIS CLUB meeting @ Shoppenagons Inn, 12 noon. •GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ St. Mary's Catholic Church, 12 noon & 8 pm @ Frederic Township Hall. Call John W. 348-1776 or Marsh S. 348-1307 for more information.
TUES 24	•GPA MEETING @ Shoppenagons Inn, 12 noon. •GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ St. Mary's Catholic Church, 8 pm. Call Thelma H. at 344-2043 for more information. •GRAYLING AL-ANON MEETING @ St. Mary's Catholic Church, 8 p.m. Call Thelma H. 344-2043 for info.
WED 25	•ROTARY MEETING @ Patti's Towne House, 12 noon. •WEIGHT WATCHER'S meeting @ St. Francis Episcopal Church, M-72 West; weigh-in 4:45 pm; meeting, 5:30 pm. For more information call Mary, 348-5306. •GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ St. Mary's Catholic Church, 12 noon. Call John W. 348-1776 or Marsh S. 348-1307 for more information.

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The Bible Speaks

Gay Boy Scouts

In March of 1998, the New Jersey Intermediate Appellate Court ruled that the Boy Scouts had no right to expel an openly homosexual man from being a Scout leader. The court's decision in Dale v. Boy Scouts of America resulted because the Scouts has dismissed one of their Boy Scout leaders, James Dale. They had read in a public newspaper that Dale was co-president of a university homosexual organization at Rutgers University. Because the Boy Scouts of America was founded in 1910 with a mission to provide moral character development for the young men with whom it was entrusted, they found the lifestyle of Dale to be diametrically opposed to what the Scouts stand for. Not only do the Scouts require a belief in God but also acceptance of the Scout Oath which pledges members to be "reverent and morally straight." They teach traditional sexual morality. Scouts insist that sex is to be limited to a husband and wife in marriage. This supports the integrity of the family and is a cornerstone of every civilized society.

What is the significance of this court action? It is an attack on freedom of association, the rights of privacy and religious liberty. This court action questions the right of any private organization to teach moral principles. It is subjecting the moral principles of the Boy

Scouts of America to the "politically protected" and "politically correct" perversion of a government protected minority. It is forcing exposure to sexual perversion upon the youth of the next generation. It is using the American civil rights laws to force unacceptable moral choice upon minors. It is bringing the weight of the U.S. Constitution beyond the areas of employment, housing, lending, etc., into a government right to promote forced association with lifestyle instruction in the evil of sodomy.

The court decision spoke of the "Sinister and unspoken fear that gay scout leaders will somehow cause physical or emotional injury to scouts..." Yet, statistics from the Federal Bureau of Justice reports that there were 60,000 offenders convicted of child sexual abuse in 1996. The Scouts are surely held legally liable for the care of the boys entrusted by their parents to their care! Scout activities include retreats, camping trips, and other isolating activities which requires high moral standards of trust for all leadership. Parents foolish enough to desire their sons to be exposed to this kind of perversion can take them to a Gay Family Retreat like they had in Gaylord a few years ago.

The Scouts' national executive board has announced a change in the Explorer Scouts. This program for the 14-20 year

olds will be split into "Venturing" and "Career Exploring" divisions. The Venturing program will maintain the "traditional standards for duty to God." The other group will allow individual Scouting troops to choose their own "Religious Standards." In England, such practice has already been adopted and the largest British Scout group now admits homosexuals. (Jude 1:7) "Even as Sodom and Gomorrah, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire."

Pastor "B"

Please pray for the ministry of this column and our church Websites at <http://freeway.net/~cba/> and at <http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/Ranch/1263/>

We at Calvary Baptist Church invite you to learn Bible prophecy for Y2K and beyond. Join us in a verse study of the book of Revelation each Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m.

"The Bible Speaks" is paid for by concerned Christians who support Grayling Calvary Baptist Church and who assume full responsibility for its content.

FIA awards domestic violence grants

Governor John Engler announced last week that the Family Independence Agency (FIA) has awarded more than \$450,000 to 18 rural Michigan Communities for domestic violence services pending approval of local plans.

A \$50,000 grant is earmarked for the River House Shelter, affiliated with Grayling Mercy Hospital, for serving Crawford and Oscoda counties.

"Domestic violence in rural communities presents some unique issues and concerns," said Engler. "These grants are tailored to the specific needs of the customers in these communities."

Funds will be used to provide outreach services that address issues for rural communities. Possible services could include: deposits for shelter; emergency shelter; counseling; transportation; public awareness education; and funding for staff to provide

advocacy services.

"Through these grants and collaboration at the local level, we ensure that each community can provide for the needs of domestic violence victims," said FIA director Douglas E. Howard.

Michigan receives the funds through the Office of Justice Programs Violence Against Women

Rural Domestic Violence and Child Victimization Enforcement Grant.

Eighteen grants will be awarded across the state. Seventeen of these grants are a continuation of grants awarded in previous years. Each agency will receive a \$25,000 grant for each county that they serve.

For more information, consult the FIA website at: www.mfia.state.mi.us

SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

by Jan Farley

Jan Farley is off work due to illness. The column this week is being written by Nova Anderson who suggests a card or a call to wish her a speedy recovery.

Schedule of Activities at the Center this week:

August 18 - Hearing Clinic, 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Call 1-877-938-0115 for an appointment; C.O.A. Board Meeting at 5:30 p.m. Everyone is invited.

August 20 - Lovells Satellite; Pantry Bingo at 1 p.m.

August 22 - Potluck - bring a dish to pass.

August 23 - Hangman at 5:30 p.m.

August 25 - Ellie Mae's Country-Western Dance at 5:30 p.m.

Meals are available at the Senior Center at noon and 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday. On Friday, a meal is available only at noon. Please call for reservations at (517) 348-7123.

AUGUST MENU: Lunch/Dinner 18 - Liver and Onions/ Beef Tips and Noodles

19 - Italian Pork/Chicken and dumplings

20 - Homepride Steak/no dinner

23 - Pork Stew and Biscuits/Meatloaf

24 - Tuna and Noodles/ Breaded Chicken

25 - Italian Round Steak/Summer Cold Plate

26 - Turkey and Dressing/Sweet and Sour Pork

27 - Beef Stew/no dinner

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Fill the Spaces



This young man isn't bothered by the spaces in his life. In fact, he is rather proud of them. In those awkward spaces he will develop "grown-up" teeth. It never occurs to him that in the plan of things, God would not give him bigger and better teeth.

As we become older we develop different spaces. Perhaps college is behind us and there are no job offers. Maybe we want to get married, but prospects are few. Sometimes we flounder in the space following a divorce or

the death of a loved one. What will fill the spaces?

God will still fill the spaces. Just as this young boy has no fear, we must trust God to use the spaces in our lives to develop us into stronger and more mature individuals. It is during those times we must increase in faith or falter.

Do you have a space in your life? Let God fill it with faith as you worship at your church or synagogue this week.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2 Thessalonians 3:1-18	1 Timothy 1:1-11	1 Timothy 1:12-20	1 Timothy 2:1-15	1 Timothy 3:1-16	1 Timothy 4:1-16	1 Timothy 5:1-25

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Coffee Fellowship 12 noon
Bible Study (Wed.) 10 am

Seventh Day Adventist
Pastor Jeff Arthur
Phone 348-4033
Services held Saturday at Camp AuSable off M-72 East (1st building on right inside camp entrance).
Church Service 9:30 am
Sabbath School 10:30 am
Prayer Meeting Tues. 7 pm

Burning Bush Tabernacle
Pastor Patricia Petrie, 348-1278
501 E. Michigan Ave., Grayling
Sunday School 10 am
Sunday Service & Children's Church. 11 am
Sunday Evening Service . . . 6 pm
Monday Prayer Meeting 7 pm
Wednesday Bible Study 7 pm
Thursday Discipleship Class . . 7 pm
Significant Singles Monday. . . 7 pm

Grayling Assembly of God
Rev. Ron Voelker, Pastor
701 S. I-75 Business Loop
Church 348-8885 • Parsonage 348-2588
Sunday School 9:30 am
Morning Worship 10:30 am
Evening Service 6 pm
Wednesday - Family Night
Adult-Youth-Children 7 pm

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
President Larry A. Cook
600 North Elm Street, Gaylord
Sacrament 10 am
Sunday School 11 am
Primary 11 am
Priesthood 12 noon
Relief Society 12 noon

Emma Lowery United Church of Christ
Pastor, James Briney
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Sunday Worship 11 am
Adult and Youth Sunday School . 9:30 am

Heritage Baptist
Pastor Ernie Wagner 348-1411
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Sunday School 9:45 am
Morning Worship 11 am
Evening Worship 6 pm
Wednesday 7 pm

St. John Lutheran (ELCA)
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Sunday Worship 10:30 am
Nursery is available

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Church School 9:45 am
Preaching 11 am
Midweek Service Prayer 7 pm

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Sunday School 9:45 am
Morning Worship 11 am
Evening Service 6 pm
Wednesday Bible Study 7:30 pm

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700-708 Peninsular - 348-7657
Sabbath Eucharist
Saturday Vigil Mass 6 pm
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Family Masses 10:00 am
Scripture Study (Sundays). . . . 9:15 am
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Blessing Radio (Internet)
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M-72 West
Sunday School 9:45 am
Morning Worship 10:30 am
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Mid-Week Services
Wednesday 7 pm
Prayer & Awana Club (Wed.) . . 7 pm

Church of Christ
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Sunday Worship 11:15 am
Sunday Evening 6 pm
Wednesday
Mid-Week Bible Study 7 pm

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Sunday Service 10 am

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Wed. Prayer Service 7 pm

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Sunday Worship 11 am & 6:30 pm
Wednesday Evening 7 pm

Grayling Baptist Church
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Morning Worship 11 am
Evening Service 6 pm
Wednesday Service 7 pm

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Worship Service 11 am & 6 pm
Family Training Hour and Prayer
Wednesday 7 pm

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Chapel Service 11 am
Wednesday Prayer Meeting . . . 7-8 pm

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Framing business opens



Photo by Cheryl Ruley

NEW NAME AND PLACE — Paula Edlund, owner and operator of newly named *Framing by Paula* (formerly The Framery II) has opened business in the Emporium across the street and down the block from her former shop. Edlund continues to specialize in custom matting and framing and is open Tuesday through Saturday. For more information call 348-8817.

Homeschoolers and teachers welcome at park's book store

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

A well-kept secret seems to be the Friends of Hartwick Pines Book Store located in the Visitors Center at Hartwick Pines State Park.

The store carries a variety of educational books that Store Manager Terri Gibbons said provide homeschoolers and teachers with companion materials appropriate for many homeschool and public school science courses.

"We offer a ten percent discount on all our educational materials and books to teachers and to those who homeschool," said Gibbons. "Our books cover many age groups and levels of learning, from pre-school to high school. They are a great resource and special requests for certain science and biology-related books are honored."

At the store, customers will also find materials on natural history and logging camps, including a video of the park and another about Michigan's lumbering days and camp life called, *When the Big Trees Fell*.

"We would like to reach out to the Crawford AuSable School District and help provide materials for their various classes," she said.

Gibbons said one thing that's nice is all proceeds from the store stay there at Hartwick Pines.

The store also carries natural jewelry, stuffed animals, T-shirts, posters and other gift ideas for those who love nature and its related sciences.

Hartwick Pines State Park is located northeast of Grayling on M-93. For more Book Store information, call Gibbons at 348-2537.

Local realtor adds new team member

Julie (Brooks) Hickman has joined Coldwell Banker Cornwell Realty as a licensed Sales Associate at its office located in Grayling.

A native of Grayling, Hickman

recently returned to the area with her family.

Prior to joining Coldwell Banker, Hickman worked for two hospitals and spent three years as a state trooper.

Hickman said she believes her enjoyment of year-round outdoor activities adds high value to her ability to assist her clients with a northern Michigan purchase or sale. She can be reached at (517) 348-6481.



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Sign company adds color to Grayling businesses

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

In the past three years over 1,000 benches scattered around northern Michigan have received sponsoring signage through the artistry of Thee Sign Shop, Inc. of Roscommon.

The company consists of four family members who originally wanted to call themselves "The Sign Shop." As coincidences go, that name was already taken, so the family, who also works in Christian prison ministry, just added an "e" to the "The" and went to work.

Sean and Laura Bell along with Carlos and Wendy Jean-Francois specialize in computer generated vinyl graphics and three dimensional foamboard signs, but also paint signs the old-fashioned way, as well as make magnetic placards for com-

pany vehicles. They also employ three woodcarvers for special orders of wooden name and business signs that can be finished in many ways, including antiqued or sandblasted.

Recent projects in the Grayling area include a bench in front of Old Dam Party Store, a couple of signs for Ray's Canoe Livery, the colorful Industrial Park entrance sign and signage as well as the logo of Officer Pizzarelli on the big window at BC Pizza.

Thee Sign Shop, Inc. is located at 275 W. Higgins Lake Drive in Roscommon.

For more information about the company's services, call the store at (517) 821-7373; the sales office at (517) 821-4015; or call toll-free 1-888-769-0849.

FINISHING TOUCHES

— (Right) Signage artist Carlos Jean-Francois smooths out Officer Pizzarelli at BC Pizza last week. The artwork is a computer-generated vinyl graphic design made by Thee Sign Shop, Inc. out of Roscommon.

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FTC opens toll-free line for consumer complaints

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The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) says even wary and sophisticated consumers face a barrage of fraudulent offers every day. The FTC ought to know: last year, the agency logged in over 60,000 complaints from consumers.

Now, the FTC is making it easier – and cheaper – for consumers to report a fraud to the law enforcement agency through a toll-free Consumer Help Line, 1-877-FTC-HELP (1-877-382-4357). The line staffed by counselors from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., Eastern time, Monday through Friday.

According to Jodie Bernstein, Director of the FTC's Bureau of Consumer Protection, the toll-free number offers consumers a two-fer. It makes the agency more accessible to consumers who want to report a fraud, and it makes their valuable complaint data available to law enforcement agencies in the U.S. and Canada.

"That's important because fraud has moved beyond the front porch

to cyberspace and all points in between," Bernstein said.

Consumer fraud complaints to the FTC are entered into a database that is available to nearly 200 law enforcement agencies. They use it to spot fraudulent activity, trends and wrong-doers – and stop them.

"Through the toll-free Help Line, consumers can get helpful information on the spot," Bernstein said. "Obviously, the FTC can't intervene in individual disputes, but consumer complaint information is crucial to the enforcement of consumer protection laws. The information that consumers get on a particular issue also lessens the likelihood that they'll be scammed again. Education is a powerful consumer protection."

To report a complaint or get free information, call 1-877-FTC-HELP, visit www.ftc.gov, or write FTC, Consumer Response Center, Washington, D.C. 20580-0001.

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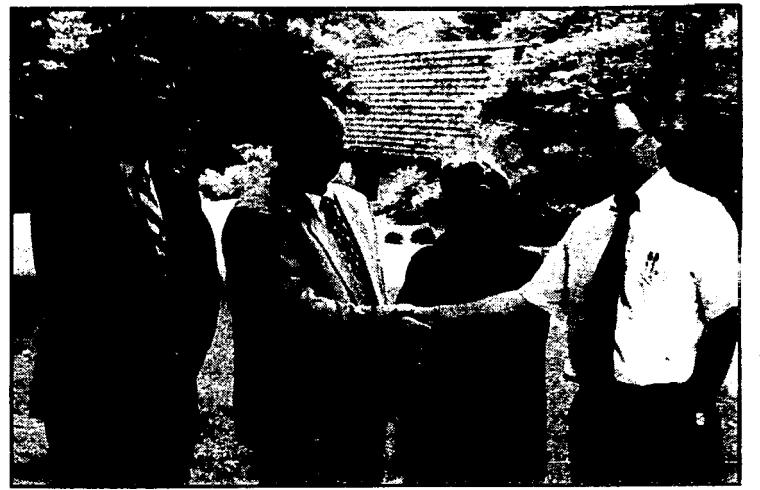
The Kirtland Center for the Performing Arts announced both the North Central Michigan Community Foundation and the Kirtland Community College Foundation Educational Fund, a donor-advised component fund of North Central Michigan Community Foundation, have selected the Kirtland Youth Theatre program to receive funding from their organizations.

John W. Wade, Chairman of the North Central Michigan Community Foundation joined Kirtland Community College President Dorothy Franke and Kirtland Community College Foundation President Dr. Louis Boggs in presenting checks to Gary Carton, Director of the Kirtland Center for the Performing Arts and Kirtland Youth Theatre programs.

The combined sum of \$2,250 will go toward supporting 1999-2000

Kirtland Youth Theatre shows and their respective in-school residency programs. The five shows are: Gateway Productions *Illusions* on October 1; *Trout Fishing in America* on November 12; Das Puppenspiel's *The Snow Queen* on December 10; Bits 'N Pieces *Cinderella and the Chinese Slipper* on March 3; and *Lazer Vaudeville* on April 14.

It is through community support like this, that the Kirtland Center for the Performing Arts is able to bring these educational/performance activities to the youth of the four county area served by Kirtland Community College. Kirtland Center for the Performing Arts is always looking for new funding sources to keep these valuable programs alive and well. If you would be interested in becoming a Kirtland Youth Theatre benefactor please contact the Kirtland Center Office at



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Schools may begin reserving tickets and scheduling residency workshops on August 16. Tickets may be reserved by calling the Kirtland

Ticket Office at (517) 275-6777. Residencies may be reserved by calling the Kirtland Center for the Performing Arts Office at (517) 275-5000 ext. 375.

Country and Motown top Interlochen bill

Audience favorite Anne Murray makes an encore appearance at Interlochen when she performs Friday, August 20 in Kresge. Murray's warm, mellow voice still makes hits like *Danny's Song*, *May I*

Have This Dance, and *Snowbird* soar. Ticket prices range from \$19.50 to \$34.50.

The Manhattan String Quartet performs at 8:15 p.m., August 18, 21, and 23 in Corson Auditorium.



The Temptations

Tickets are \$12.

Motown's mighty Temptations and sultry singer Dionne Warwick share the bill Wednesday, August 25 in Kresge.

The Temptations, whose lives were the subject of a top-rated TV mini-series recently, are renowned for favorites like *My Girl* and *Can't Get Next To You*.

Warwick is equally famed for her Burt Bacharach string of music gems like *Walk On By* as well as more recent hits as *That's What Friends Are For*. Tickets for this double range from \$17.50 to \$32.50.

Legendary entertainer Debbie Reynolds performs Friday, August 27 in Kresge. A star from Hollywood's golden era, Reynolds continues to delight audiences with singing, dancing, comedy and show biz anecdotes, all performed with her trademark high spirits. Tickets range from \$17.50 to \$32.50.

There's jazz with the Duke Ellington Orchestra, led by grandson Paul Mercer, with pianist and

singer Diane Schuur, perform Tuesday, August 24 in Kresge. This year is the beloved Duke's centennial birthday celebration and this should be a memorable concert. Tickets range from \$17.50 to \$29.50.

New-age performer John Tesh completes the summer season Wednesday, September 1 in Kresge. Tesh's new-age style compositions meld diverse cultural influences from Native American to Irish, classical to pop.

Tesh's music and charismatic personality have won him a loyal fan following. Tickets range from \$19.50 to \$34.50.

For tickets or more information, contact the Interlochen Box Office at (231) 276-6230. Hours are Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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Cultural Events to open with 50's concert

On August 28 the Cultural Events Program will kick off its '99/00 season with "Lost in the 50's Tonight," a double bill featuring musical acts The Chordettes and The Crew Cuts.

The Chordettes are known for such hits as Mr. Sandman, Lollipop, Eddie My Love, Never on Sunday, and the theme song for the hit 1950's television show, Zorro.

After a string of hits, the group retired from show business, and the group remained inactive until the mid 1980's, when producer Bob Duncan secured the rights to the name and reformed the quartet.

"I had always been a fan of The Chordettes' sound," said Duncan. "I felt there was no act in the business that gave us the rich, lush harmonies that they did. I believed the public was ready to hear those great songs again."

Since The Chordettes have

reformed, the group has had a successful tour of concerts in cities all over the U.S.

The Crew Cuts, known for songs like "Earth Angel" and "Sh-Boom," mix 40's style swing with "doo-wop," which consists of nonsense syllables used to accent chord changes such as "hey nonny ding dong; a-lang a-lang a-lang" (from "Sh-Boom").

Both The Chordettes and The Crew Cuts incorporate the audience into several numbers, selecting people from the crowd to sing along on stage with the groups.

This unique concert event will be held at Shoppenagon's Inn as part of the Crawford AuSable Community Education's Cultural Events Program.

The concert is the first event in the program's "Learning Through Music Series."

Tickets cost \$8, which includes a



The Chordettes

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The show will start at 8 p.m. on

Saturday, August 28. For ticket information, call the Community Education office at (517) 348-7641, ext. 123 or 120.

Corrections Officer training offered this fall

Men and women interested in working as correctional officers in the Michigan prison system will be able to fulfill the state's 15-credit educational requirement at Kirtland Community College (KCC) this fall.

The Criminal Justice Department is offering a series of five "core" corrections classes that meet standards set by the Michigan Correctional Officers' Training Council. Students who complete all five classes with a grade of "C" or better would be qualified to apply for the Michigan Civil Service examination for Correctional Officer.

The courses are not new to KCC, but the series is not usually offered in the Fall semester, according to Jerry W. Boerema, director of criminal justice.

"The Michigan Department of Corrections is facing a severe shortage of officers," Boerema said. "By offering all five core classes this semester, we can speed up the appli-

cation process to help fill those positions."

According to Dale Suiter, deputy warden at Standish Maximum Correctional Facility, the prison system has 2,500 positions vacant throughout the state.

"It's an excellent career opportunity for anyone interested in state employment, with a full benefit package," Suiter added. College officials considered presenting the classes in an accelerated format, as has been done in the spring and summer for several years, but opted instead for the full semester format.

In an accelerated program, students would have been required to attend classes five nights a week for 10 weeks. The classes this fall will meet just three nights a week for 15 weeks.

"We think the regular semester format will be easier for both students and instructors," Boerema said. "The accelerated program serves its purpose, but it doesn't

leave room for any other commitments, nor does it provide much time for students to digest information and ask questions."

Students interested in professional advancement opportunities within the state Department of Corrections are encouraged to consider additional course work to supplement the core classes. All five classes apply toward Kirtland's one-year Correctional Officer Certificate of Completion and two-year Associate in Applied Science - Corrections Administration programs.

"The core classes will help you get your foot in the door," Boerema said. "But don't stop there, even if you get hired right away. We can

usually fit a college schedule around a work schedule to help you finish the degree."

Classes begin August 30. Registration for new and returning students is scheduled August 25-26, 9 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. and August 27, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Late registration will be August 30-31, 9 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

New students will need to complete orientation and placement testing before registering for classes; with an appointment, orientation, testing and registration can usually be accomplished all in one day.

For more information, contact the Criminal Justice Office at (517) 275-5121, ext. 283.

Kirtland Center to host A Gershwin Party

Put on your party clothes and toe-tapping shoes and join the fun on Saturday, August 21 at 8 p.m. when the Kirtland Center for the Performing Arts hosts *A Gershwin Party*.

Pianist Leon Bates, soprano Louise Toppin and tenor Bill Brown will take you back to the 20's and 30's when George and Ira Gershwin created tunes that are as fresh and fun today as they were then.

Brown and Toppin will sing and Bates will play all the songs that George played for his friends at home.

Center Director Gary Carton said this will truly be an evening presenting some of the best music ever performed at the Kirtland Center for the Performing Arts, featuring such hits as *Rhapsody in Blue*, *Fascinatin' Rhythm*, and *Summertime*.

Order tickets now by calling (517) 275-6777. Tickets are \$22-

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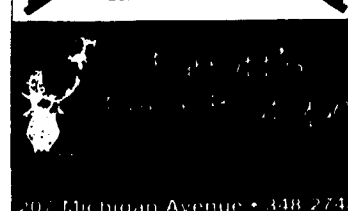
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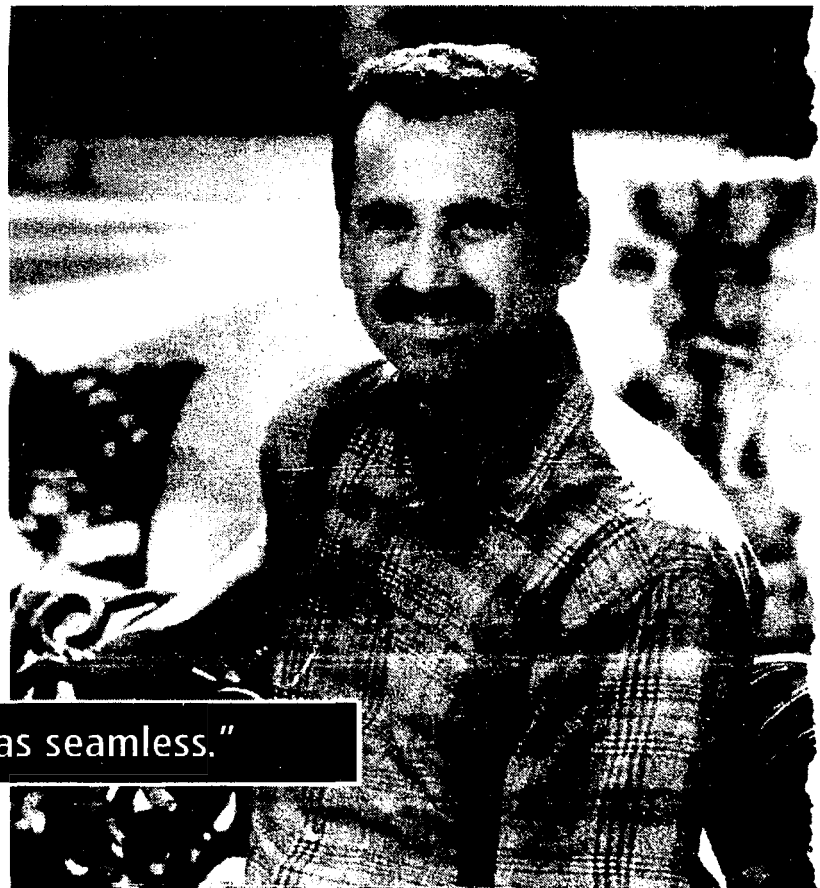
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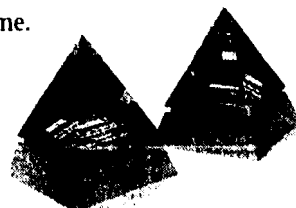
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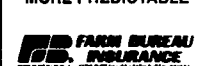
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OBITUARIES

Michael J. Gizinski

Michael J. Gizinski, 56, of West Branch, died August 12, 1999, at his home.

Mr. Gizinski was born May 20, 1943, in Wyandotte, to Henry and Stella (Korisinski) Gizinski. He lived in West Branch since 1995, moving there from Grayling. He was a member of the Burning Bush Tabernacle of Grayling. He married Patricia A. Obdziejewski. Mr. Gizinski worked as a corrections officer for the State of Michigan.

He was preceded in death by his fathers, Ted Walczak and Henry Gizinski, his mother Stella Walczak, a brother, Mitchell Walczak and a niece Kelly Elrod.

Survivors include his wife, Patricia Gizinski of West Branch; daughter, Stacey Gizinski of Troy; son, Patrick (Brandi) Gizinski of Pinckney; daughter, Shannon (Paul) Worona of Lansing; son, Scott Gizinski of West Branch; sister Cynthia (Greg) Elrod of Columbiaville; aunt, Mary Pulter of Taylor.

Funeral services were held Monday, August 16, at the Steuermol & McLaren Funeral Home, West Branch with Pastor Patricia Petrie officiating. Burial was in the Campbell Corner Cemetery, West Branch.

Memorials may be made to the American Diabetes Association.

Gerald E. Woodworth

Gerald E. Woodworth, 88, died early Tuesday morning, August 17, 1999, at Tendercare Nursing Home, Gaylord.

Memorial services will be held at a later date.

A full obituary will appear in the next edition of *The Avalanche*.

Audrey Deloris "Dee" Hammons

Audrey Deloris "Dee" Hammons, 67, of Coolidge, Arizona, died August 10, 1999.

Mrs. Hammons was born in Dodge City, Kansas. She was a longtime resident of Grayling, moving to Arizona several years ago. She worked as an aide in the hospital kitchen and retired in 1994. She was very active with the Girl Scouts and enjoyed playing the guitar, spoons, bowling and her grandchildren.

Survivors include two daughters, Grace White and Susan Newton both of Coolidge, Arizona; two sons, Ron M. Hammons of Coolidge, Arizona, and Russ Hammons of Lake Side, Arizona; two sisters, Judy Davis of Wever Falls, Nebraska and Kathy Walker of Chicago, Illinois; two brothers, Bob Leak of Indianola, Nebraska and Don Leak of Midland, Texas; seven grandchildren.

Funeral services are pending.

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SHERIFF'S REPORT

The following complaints were received by the Crawford County Sheriff's Dept. from Aug. 9-16:

One criminal sexual conduct; three burglary; four larceny; two property damage; one family/child; one liquor laws; seven public peace; one OUIL/OIUD; two citations; 14 health and safety (nine of which were animal control); one invasion of privacy; three miscellaneous crimes; five minors; one runaway; 13 accidents; one parking violation; four traffic safety; two false alarms; ten vehicle inspections; nine civil/family trouble; four suspicious situations; two lost/found property; two missing persons; 11 general non-criminal.

A total of 104 complaints were handled by the sheriff's department during the one-week period.

Hammond and Pelkey to wed



Betsy Mae Hammond and Anthony James Pelkey

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Hammond of Frederic, announce the engagement of their daughter, Betsy Mae Hammond to Anthony James

Pelkey of Jacksonville, Florida. They will be married on June 17, 2000 at the First Baptist Church of Frederic.

RANGE FIRING

Camp Grayling Range Firing scheduled, during August 18 through August 24.

Range 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located north of County Rd 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.).

Range 40 Complex, located North of County Rd. 612, east of Sherman Rd., south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.). Military maneuvers and artillery firing conducted.

Small Arms Ranges located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Rd., east of the gas pipeline and south of Portage Creek.

Range 15, located south of the main post, bounded on the west by Cadillac Rd. and on the east by Carrier Rd.

Range 17, Hand Grenade Range located south of the main post, north of Carrier Rd., east of Range 13 and

west of Beaver Creek (Military Rd.).

Range 20 and 21, Demolition Ranges located south of Howe Rd., west of the Crawford County Line, north of Daniels Rd and east of the gas pipeline.

The Range 30 Complex, located north of North Down River Rd., east of Jones Lake Rd., south of County Rd. 612 and west of Bald Hill Truck Trail.

In addition, the following roads will be closed beginning August 20 through August 21:

a. Bucks East-West Truck Trail from Jones Lake Rd. to Wakeley Bridge Rd.

b. Ketchum Truck Trail from Bucks East-West to N. Down River Rd.

c. Stephan Bridge Rd. from County Rd. 612 to N. Down River Rd.

For further information call 344-6107.

C. COUNTY LIBRARY NEWS

Cayla Johnson is the winner of the six speed red mountain bike donated by Burger King for the Summer Reading Program at the Crawford County Libraries.

The winner of the Sony cassette Walkman donated by Burger King is Cassandra Pizzi.

Over 100 readers earned incen-

tives from Burger King ranging from coupons to yo-yo's, Frisbees and t-shirts. Forty-one readers read all 24 books in the "G'Day for Reading" and were in the drawings. Summer Reading Programs "G'Day for Reading" and "Hot East - Cool Treats" ended with the Time Step Players. "Trekkinn Through Time" performance. Drawings were held at the Crawford County Library.

"Hot Eats - Cool Treats" winners of the books were Mike Boerger, Rachel Lovell and Greg Singelyn. Twenty-five readers earned Dilly Bars from Dairy Queen, movie passes to BlockBuster Video and Personal Pan Pizzas from Pizza Hut.

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Pratt and Harris engaged



Jamie Sue Pratt and Marty Robbins Harris

Brian and Kim Pratt, of Grayling, announce the engagement of their daughter, Jamie Sue Pratt to Marty Robbins Harris, also of Grayling.

The groom is the son of Edwin Harris and the late Dorothy Harris.

A September 25, 1999, wedding is planned.

Local Armed Guardsman honored by Congress

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

After more than 50 years, thousands of men assigned to Merchant Ships during World War I and World War II were recognized by Congress last October for their sacrifices and dedication as members of the Naval Armed Guard. 1,810 of whom were killed in action.

Grayling resident, Jim Kolka, was one of more than 144,900 men who served during World War II. Many served as officers, gun crewmen, signalmen and radiomen on the 6,236 merchant ships, 710 of which were sunk by the enemy.

In October, 1998 Congress enacted Public Law 105-261 after finding that the efforts of the Navy Armed

Guard played an important role in the safe passage of U.S. merchant ships as they sailed to the Soviet Union and other locations in western Europe and the Pacific Theater.

Both the United States House of Representatives and the Senate agreed that this group of service members had been overlooked due to the rapid disbanding of the Naval Armed Guard following World War II. They also cited lack of adequate records.

Each member was sent a certificate of appreciation for their "faithful and loyal service" during both World Wars. Those who could attend were issued their certificate at a meeting of the Armed Guard in March.



Photos courtesy of Jim Kolka

REUNITED - Jim Kolka (left) visited his old friend Raymond Cooper (right) in Sanibel, Florida last winter. The two men were in the Naval Armed Guard together and both sailed on the "Franz Klassen" from November 1943 to February 1944. They lost touch until Cooper's name and address appeared on the Armed Guard List.



OLD FRIENDS - Last winter while in Sarasota, Florida, Jim Kolka (left) spent time sharing old Naval Armed Guard stories with Fred Logan (right). The two men hadn't seen each other since 1944 when they sailed on the "Edward W. Scripps" from August to October of that year.

HOMETOWN NEWS

G.H.S. Class of '74 gathers for 25-year reunion

The Grayling High School class of '74 gathered together on July 17, at the Grayling Country Club for their 25-year reunion.

Those attending from the Grayling area were: Lila (Bunker) Myers, Crystal (Davis) Filley and Richard, Kelly and Shelly (McClain) Elmy, James Otto Failing, Steve Fick and Lynn, Thelma Galloway, Carl Gildner and Jennie, Chris Golnick and Linda, Bill Hart and Vickie, Jim Hulbert, Bill Johnson and Toni, Beth (Keir) Lennon and Bruce, Nancy (Kolka) Hatfield and Jim, Tim and Cindy (LaMotte) Calkins, Ed Malinowski, Dee Mead and Dora, Becky (Nelson) Bond, Roger Palmer, Tina (Papendick) Bassett and Jim, Joan Shirkey and Luanne, Dennis Sloan and Sharon, Leesa (Trudgeon) Shepherd and Sue (Wakeley) Romain.

Attending from around the state were: Cheryl Arwood, Raymond Barker, Jean (Callan) Jankoviak and Mark, Diane (Clark) Andrews and Jim, Mary Jo (Flanigan) McIsaac and Dan, Cheryl (Granda) Smock and Mike, Linda (Hatfield) Alexander and Jim, Mike Hoffman and Sharon, Steve Kinsman and guest Donna Hurlburt, Holly Knibbs, Pat McIsaac and Laurel, Mike Mack, Tom Mahaney, Diane (Merithew) Hiser, Barb (Minor) Mead, Dean Molnar and Donna, Dalene (Peterson) Corlew and Jim, Janice Trudgeon, Chris Warren, Chris Weaver and Mary, Julie (Wilcox) Andrews and Gene and Ruth (Wyman) Hasten and Ron.

Here from North Carolina was Jim Bobenmoyer. Attending from New Jersey was Mary Liz McNamara. Tom Millard was here from Washington. Chris Sojka and Marci attended from Wisconsin. Attending from Arizona/Nevada was Bill Slater. Tom Vajda came from Wyoming. Tamara VanNuck was here from California and Wendy (Weiss) Weaver came from Alaska.

A 30-year reunion is planned for 2004.

Thayer named new Director of Marketing at Breeders' Cup Ltd.

Officials of Breeders' Cup Limited announced today that Damon Thayer has been named Director of Marketing for the corporation. He is the son of Dan and Sue Thayer of Grayling.

Thayer, 31, had been the Director of Communications at Turfway Park in Florence, Kentucky.

In this newly created position at Breeders' Cup Ltd., Thayer will oversee all marketing services for the company, including promotion, licensing, publishing, new media, merchandising and will work in concert with Breeders' Cup's agency Sports Marketing & Television International (SMTI) and the organization's outside vendors.

Thayer will also work with the host track and host venue commit-

tees on the Breeders' Cup Championship.

Thayer, who grew up in Grayling and graduated in 1985 from Grayling High School, demonstrated a great enthusiasm for Thoroughbred racing as a collegian. He worked summers in the public relations department at Ladbroke DRC outside Detroit, and during his senior year at Michigan State University, was a member of the Breeders' Cup Notes Team at the 1988 Breeders' Cup Championship. Following graduation from Michigan State, Thayer was hired by Thistledown in Cleveland, Ohio, where he became Director of Media Relations in 1990.

The following year, Thayer took the position of Media Relations Director for the Maryland Jockey Club tracks of Laurel and Pimlico. In November of 1992, he was hired by Turfway Park as Director of Communications.

At Turfway, Thayer was responsible for media relations, advertising, promotions, racing, overseeing group sales, ticketing, food and beverage and video services. He was also instrumental in the growth and development of the Jim Beam Stakes (now Gallery Furniture.com Stakes) into a major Triple Crown prep race, and in the formation and promotion of the Kentucky Cup Day of Champions.

For more information on Damon or Breeders' Cup visit their site at www.breederscup.com

Atkinson Family Reunion

The 40th Annual Reunion of the Alexander Atkinson family was held Sunday, July 25 at Plymouth Park in Midland. Minnie and Marshall Atkinson and twin sons, Daryl and David, of Irving, Texas, formerly of Grayling attended.

Attendees from Grayling were Nancy Cox and granddaughter, Angie and Clara Atkinson Sorenson, acting Committee Chairperson with her family as helpers. They were Judy Sorenson of Saginaw, Mary and Norman Sorenson of Mt. Pleasant, John Sorenson of Benton Harbor, Joel Cox, children Alexa, Aaron and Jamie Cox of Traverse City, David Cox of Walker.

A total of 59 persons were in attendance.

Zeder luncheon

On Friday, August 6, Jack Zeder hosted a luncheon at Shoppenagon's Inn for a group of classmates and friends. He is a former resident of Grayling, now living in Coral Gables, Florida.

Zeder was accompanied by his son, Jon, who acted as co-host. He has kept strong ties with Grayling through the years, keeping friendships alive.

Those attending were: Katie and Bob Funck, Iris and Jim Knibbs, Wilma LaGrow, Clara Sorenson, Helen Feldhauser, Rudy Harrison, Jayne Hayes, Susan Bateson, Doris Sorenson, Marian and Tom Welsh, and Marian Joseph.

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CATCH YOUR DINNER - (Left) The Grayling Fish Hatchery's Darl Large (right) helps 15-year old Kirill Pavlov of Birmingham adjust his lure and hook at the Fish Out Pond on August 12. Pavlov was having a very good day land quite a few fish for his dinner. (Below) Visitors, young and old alike seemed to enjoy watching as a DNR officer releases hundreds of good-sized Rainbow Trout from the tanks on his truck into one of the man-made runways at the hatchery on North Down River Road.

FUTURE PLANS - (Right) A steering committee and several subcommittees have been meeting over the last year, planning a future Fish Hatchery restoration project. The plans on are display near a natural runway at the hatchery.



Grayling Fish Hatchery photos by Cheryl Ruley



GET YOUR RED HOTS - Dale Metzger and Jessica McClain served up the hot dogs and hamburgers at last week's free picnic lunch at the Grayling Fish Hatchery. The Grayling Recreational Authority manages the historic hatchery and hosted the picnic to introduce more people, including local officials and business people, to come out and see what it's all about.

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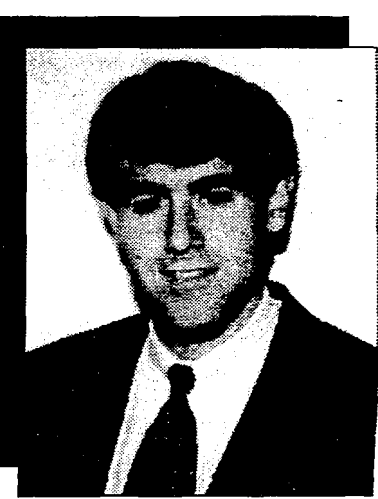
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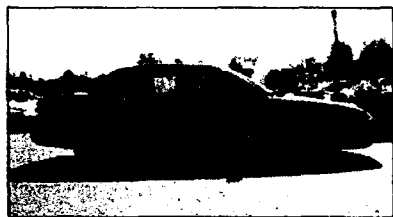
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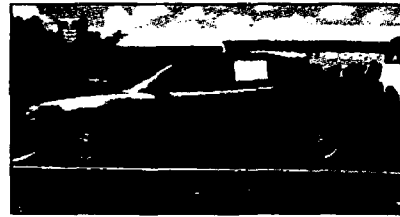
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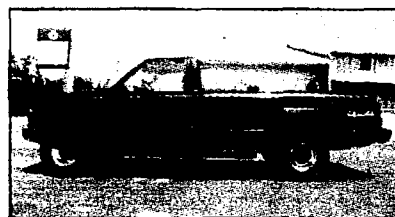
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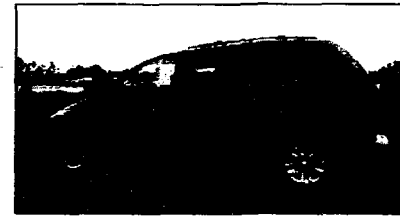
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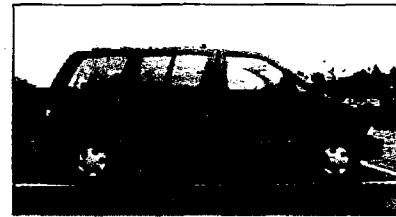
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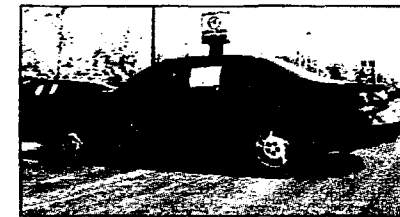
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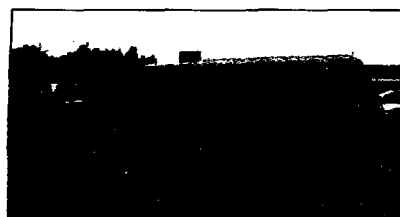
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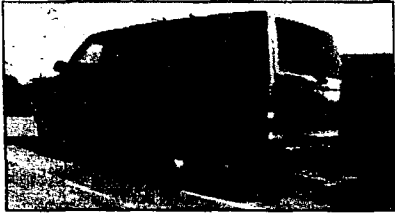
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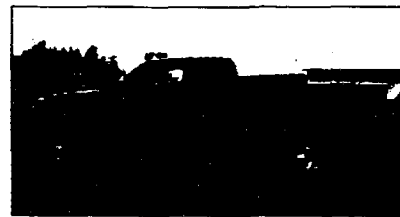
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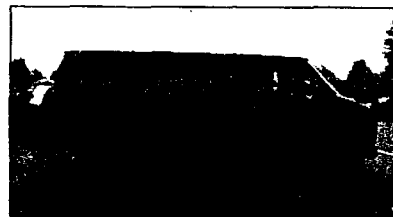
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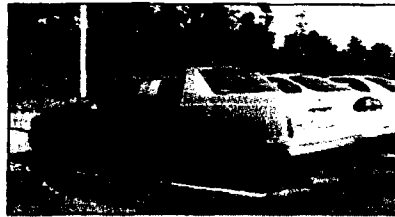
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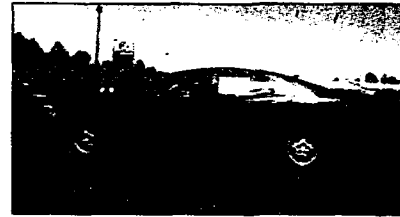
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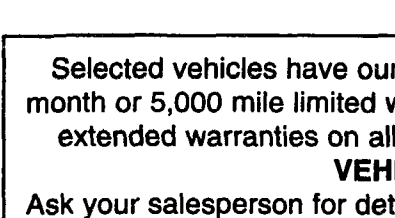
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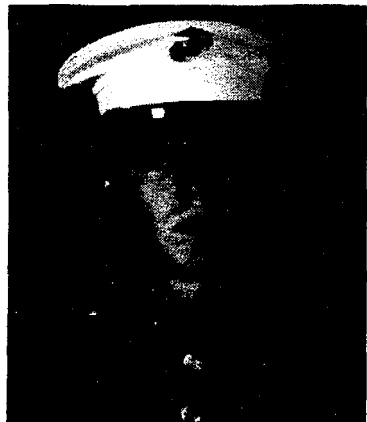
Navy Petty Officer 2nd Class **Harley M. Theaker**, a 1994 graduate of Grayling High School, is currently halfway through a six-month deployment while assigned to Strike Fighter Squadron 15, embarked aboard the aircraft carrier USS Theodore Roosevelt.

During the first half of the deployment, Theaker's squadron helped conduct the NATO bombing and airstrike missions against military and strategic installations in the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia. Operation Allied Force, the largest NATO air attack in Europe, was launched after Yugoslavian President Slobodan Milosevic refused diplomatic efforts to end his military offenses and accept peace terms with the ethnic Albanian majority in the Kosovo province.

Theaker's squadron recently departed the Adriatic Sea for the Arabian Gulf. There it is scheduled to participate in Operation Southern Watch enforcing U.N. resolutions levied against Iraq after the 1991 Gulf War, patrolling the no-fly zone over Southern Iraq, and prohibiting the flow of contraband to and from Iraq.

Home based in Jacksonville, Florida, Theaker's squadron flies the F/A-18C Hornet, a twin-engine supersonic strike fighter which features all-weather interception, identification, destruction and ground attack capabilities.

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Lance Corporal Joe Collen

United States Marine **LCPL Joe Collen**, a 1997 graduate of Grayling High School is on maneuvers in southeast Asia aboard the U.S. Frederick touring Japan, Brunei, Malaysia, Indonesia, Singapore and Australia.

Collen, from Kaneohe Bay in Hawaii has crossed three time zones and the international date-line.

He is the son of Jim and Sandy Collen of Grayling.

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James and Randy Johnson entered the United States Air Force July 7, 1999.

Upon graduation from six weeks at the Basic Military Training course at Lackland, Texas, they will receive technical training - James as a Structural Apprentice and Randy in the Mechanical Area - and be assigned to an Air Force duty station.

They are 1999 graduates of Mio AuSable High School and resided in Mio.

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Navy Seaman **Joni L. St. Clair**, daughter of John R. St. Clair and Mary J. Swanick of Grayling recently departed the Arabian Gulf while on a five-month deployment to the Western Pacific and Indian Oceans and Arabian Gulf aboard the aircraft carrier USS Kitty Hawk, based in Yokosuka, Japan.

While in the Arabian Gulf, St. Clair's ship made a port visit to Bahrain and three successful visits to the United Arab Emirates. The USS Kitty Hawk is scheduled to make port visits to Australia and Thailand before returning to Japan.

Aircraft carriers like the USS Kitty Hawk, are forward deployed around the world to maintain a U.S. presence and provide rapid response in times of crisis. They serve as a highly visible deterrent to would-be aggressors and, if deterrence fails, offer the most versatile and powerful weapons available.

The 1996 graduate of Grayling High School joined the Navy in September 1998. St. Clair is a 1998 graduate of Baker College, Mt. Clemens, with an AA degree.

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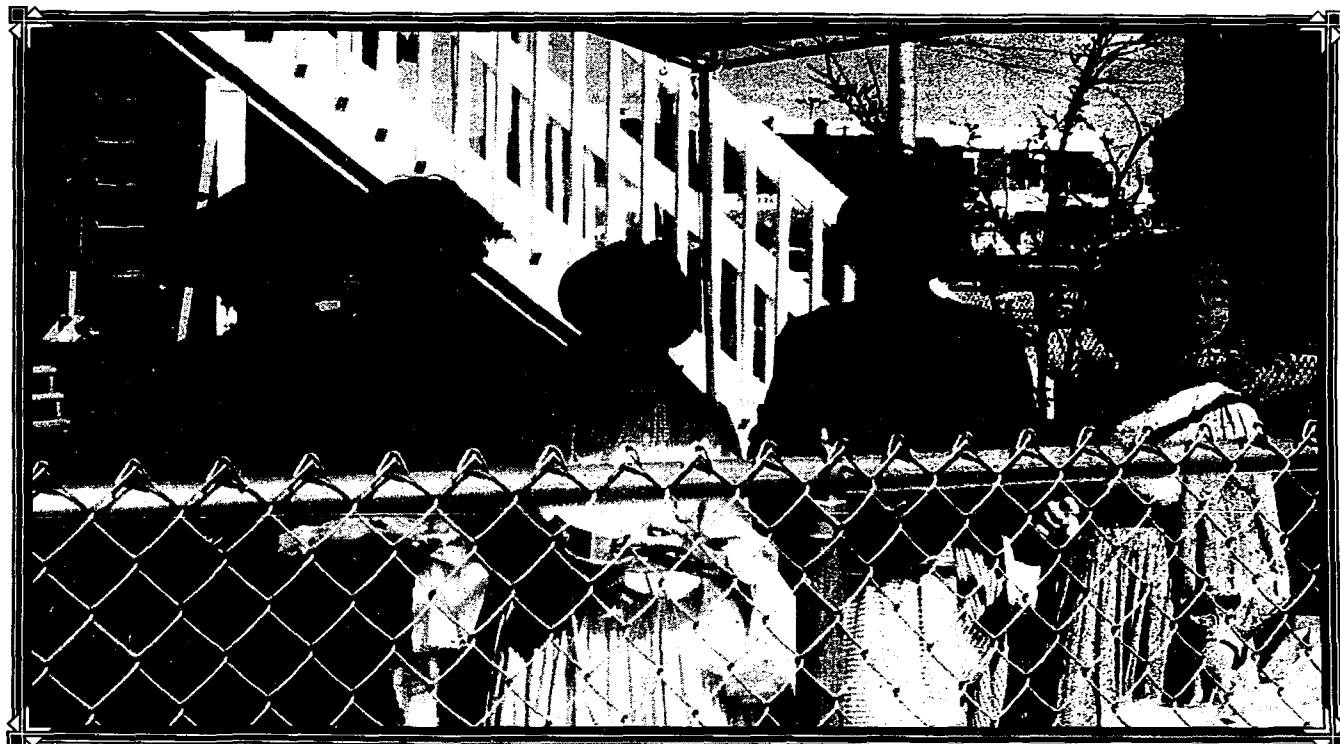
SPORTS & RECREATION



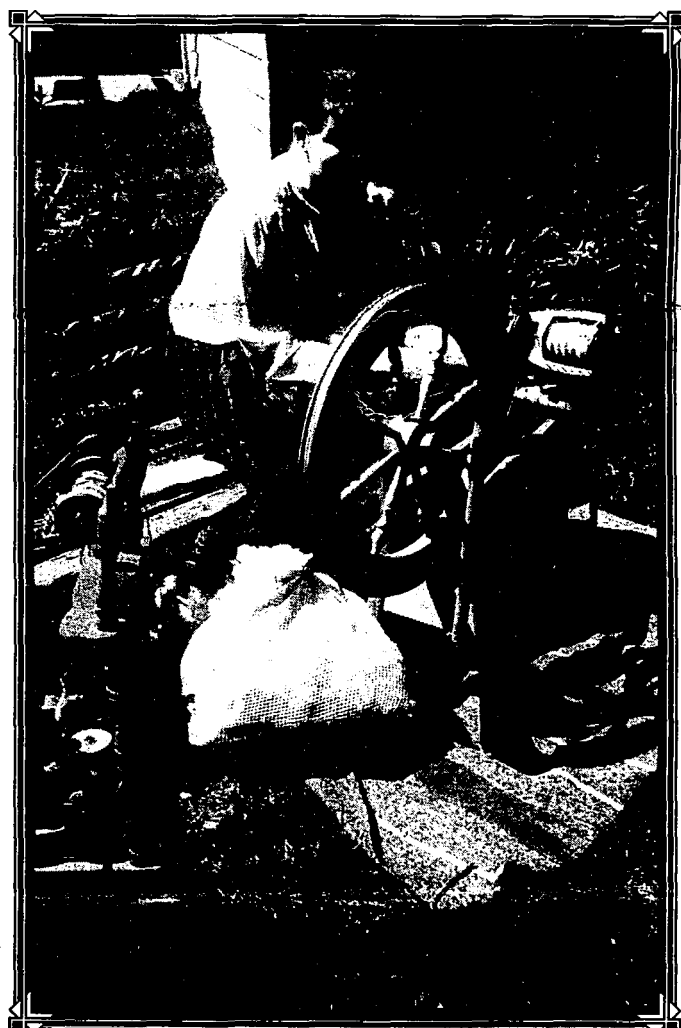
Crawford County Avalanche

Thursday, August 19, 1999

Museum hosts 2nd Annual Heritage Day



(Above) An old-fashioned over-the-fence bake sale was tended to by Martha Austin, Pauline Dawson, Eunice Slusser, Helen Feldhauser, and Katie Nave.



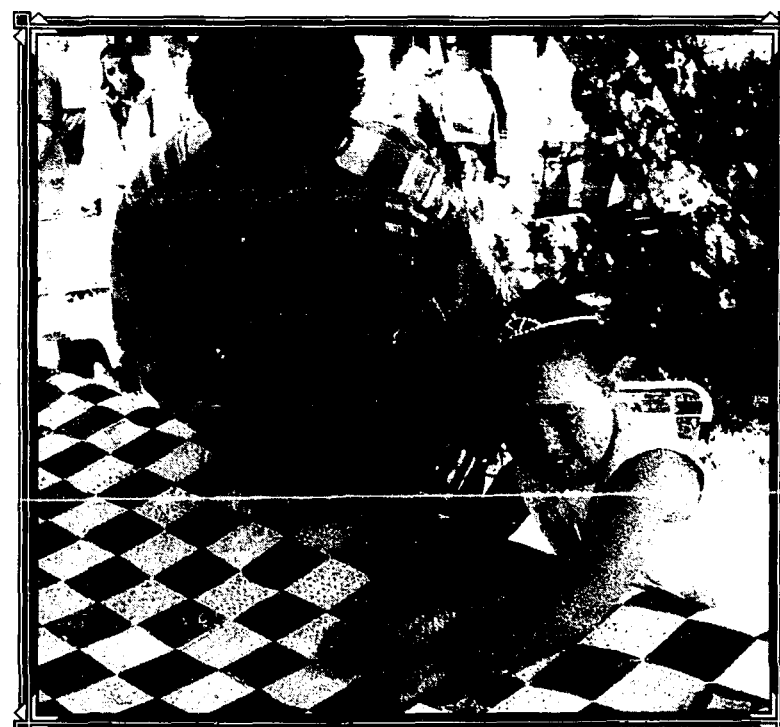
(Above) After just a few days of practice, Heidi Niederer could spin wool like in the old days. (Below) With his water bowl handy, Carl Hatfield demonstrated the craft of basket weaving, an art that remains popular to this day.



(Above) Sixteenth President Abraham Lincoln (Richard Veit) stops to pose for a picture with seven-year old Little Miss Kelsey Gilbert. Many children visited the many historical exhibits at the museum on Heritage Day, August 14.



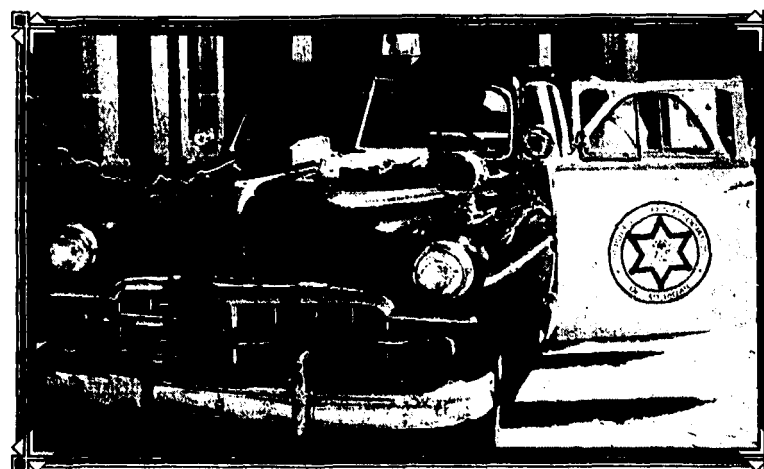
(Above) Crawford County Historic Museum curator Bob Ruddy dressed as a trapper for the 2nd Annual Heritage Day.



(Above) Shirley Schmooch helps 1999 Crawford County Little Miss Kelsey Gilbert learn how to knot a quilt. (Below) This 1949 classic Dodge police car was on display and Crawford County Deputy Tim Coe was on hand (not shown) to answer questions and run the siren.

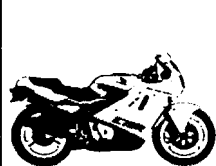


(Above) Every hour, on the hour, this old-style cannon was blasted much to the delight of the crowd.



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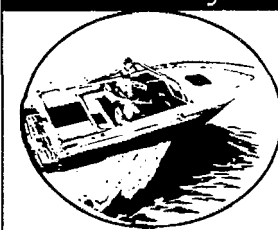


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GHS football program hosts 'Meet the Team'



(Above) GHS Varsity football players line up for a snap during the "Green and White" scrimmage. (Right) Coach Chuck Spencer works with the JV squad prior to the scrimmage. (Below) Varsity Coach Rodney Patterson gives his players a quick pep talk.

Photos by Caleb Casey



The Grayling High School Football Program hosted its annual "Meet the Team" event last week, showcasing this year's Varsity, JV, and Freshmen football teams.

Parents and Viking football fans enjoyed a dinner of hot dogs and watched the "Green and White" scrimmage, a partial-field offense vs. defense game in which every player got some playing time.

All of the Varsity, JV and Freshmen football players were introduced by their coaches following the scrimmage. Later, Viking coaches and Athletic Director Bill Klinger spoke with the players' parents about grades, discipline and the GHS football program in general.

FOOTNOTES FROM THE HILLS

Grayling Recreation Authority News

SOCCER FIELD COMPLETED - The first phase of the soccer and softball field project has been completed. Much of the funding was taken care of by Grayling Township and the GRA Soccer Steering Committee. Funding has fallen short \$2,200 for phase I but the concert on

September 12 and the fall submarine sandwich sale is expected to help balance the books.

Phase I included leveling, seeding and irrigation on the soccer fields and irrigation on the softball outfield. More donations and sponsors are needed to complete irrigation on the playground, seeding of the softball outfield and playground and a new infield for softball. It is hoped that the entire project will be completed by next spring.

The total amount to finish the project is \$10,300. Donations can be sent to Grayling Recreation Authority, P.O. Box 361, Grayling, MI 49738.

FLAG FOOTBALL - Youth flag football starts August 20 at Hanson Hills for children in grades one through five. Register by August 30 for \$20. Late registration is \$25. Jerseys are \$8. Games are played

Friday evenings at 6 p.m. and 7 p.m.

Men's Flag Football begins August 28. Register your team for \$150. Games are played on Saturdays. Registrations for both programs are available in the Main Lodge at Hanson Hills or send registrations through the mail to GRA, P.O. Box 361, Grayling, 49738. For more information on this and other sport programs call (517) 348-2292.

FALL SOCCER - The GRA Soccer season begins Saturday, September 11 at Hanson Hills. Register by August 24.

This year all soccer games will be held outdoors. If you do not already own your interchangeable GRA jersey good for all GRA athletics (except basketball) they can be purchased for \$8.

Registration includes six games, medal and certificate. Games are played Saturdays. For more information call (517) 348-9266.

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COED SOFTBALL - COED softball begins August 30 at Hanson Hills. Men and women ages 16 and up can register at Hanson Hills in the Main Lodge. Registration is only \$150 per team. This fee includes game balls, first and second place awards, field equipment, staff and umpires. For more information, call (517) 348-2292.

OVERDRIVE CONCERT - The 60's, 70's and 80's classic rock band Overdrive will be performing on the new stage at Hanson Hills September 12 from 4 p.m. until 8 p.m.

Tickets are \$6 each or \$28 for six. Proceeds from the concert go to the soccer/softball field improvements ongoing at Hanson Hills. Live music, games and concessions will be available. For more information call (517) 348-9266.

COUNTRY CLUB NEWS

by Donna Thomson Wednesday Ladies League

The Wednesday Ladies League had another perfect day for golf on August 11. Hope this continues for us.

In Flight A, Joyce Ross had a low net of 29 and Jeanne Thompson and Dorothy Walker tied for low putts of 15.

In Flight B, Ann Latusek and Peggy Whipple had a low net of 30 and Lynda Hetrick had low putts of 14.

In Flight C, Mo McNamara had a low net of 30 and Deanne Weiss had low putts of 15.

In Flight D, Rita McClain had a low net of 28, and there was a three-way tie for low putts of 16 between Rhea Gierke, Evie Kent and Rita McClain.

There were no birdies this week but there was a nice chip-in on #2 by Linda Munsey.

There was a special prize this week for the longest putt on #9 and that was won by Peggy Whipple. Jeanette and I witnessed it, and it was a thing of beauty.

Nobody won the umbrella today so it will be held over for a week.

After our golfing, we feasted on an absolutely wonderful potluck

prepared by the ladies from Flight C and C. It truly was one of the "best."

We then had election of officers and our new board members are Connie Gates, Lynda Hetrick and Nancy Hoffman, and the new person on the golf committee is Jeanette Kitchen.

President Sally announced that next week is our rain make-up day that should have been played on June 2. That will be our last day of league play.

All plans are in motion for Presidents Day on August 25.

That's all "fore" now.

CHICKS WITH STICKS

by Julie Calkins Monday Night Golf League

Monday, August 9: This week we ended up scrambling. Prizes went to Team Fortino, Scheer, Krey, Wilson and Team Czuba, Mosel, Small and Jorac.

We did not have any chip-ins or birdies tonight, just a fun and gorgeous summer evening of golf.

Because of the way my schedule is, we are having the end-of-the-season banquet on August 23. We will be having a pink ball scramble that night.

I hope all Monday Night Ladies plan on being there. Until next week, we will see you on the fairway.

FISHING REPORT

Rivers: The recent rain has brought water levels up, and clouded the water. If you fish during or right after a rainstorm, try using a deer hair head streamer, or something the fish can feel as well as see.

In the early morning, there have been several types of hatches, such as tricos, tiny mayflies, duns and blue wing daddies.

During the day, terrestrials are working well, catching some bigger fish. Try hoppers, ants, bees, beetles, deerflies, or any other bug patterns. Tractor patterns are also working, try something with rubber legs.

In the evening, there have been some mayflies and caddis, and a few mahoganies, as well as a variety of caddis and stoneflies.

More information is available at The Fly Factory's 24-hour hatchline:

517-348-7108. (Info courtesy of The Fly Factory.)

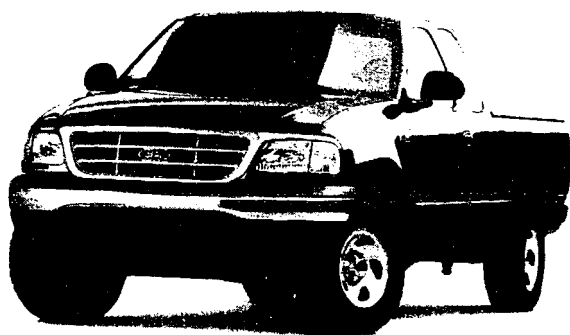
Lakes: Walleye fishing has slowed down on Lake Margrethe due to cooler temperatures recently. If the weather gets warmer, the walleye fishing should pick up again. Try fishing in the deeper water until it gets warmer. Anglers have been getting good numbers of small mouth bass on Margrethe, and there have been a few scattered pike.

Some small mouth bass and crappie have been caught in Manistee Lake, and Hardgrove Lake has yielded a few crappie as well.

Fishermen have had good luck catching bluegill out of Cranberry Lake, try using waxworms or small leeches.

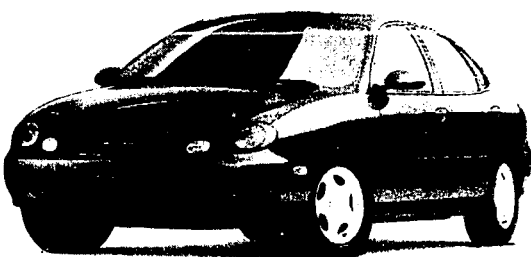
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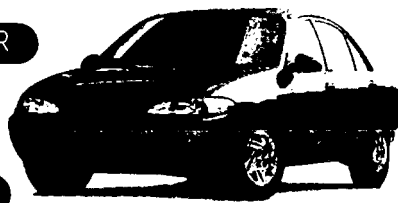
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Kirtland establishes basketball program

Kirtland Community College (KCC) has recently established a new sports program with the creation of a mens and womens basketball team, and the promise of other sports teams for the future.

"This is a happy day for us," said Kirtland President Dorothy N. Franke at a news conference on Monday, August 16.

On Monday, Franke, Kirtland Vice President Richard Silverman, and Steve Oppy, KCC's Coordinator of Student Athletics, explained the new program to area media representatives and introduced the coaches: Womens Basketball Coach Jimmy A. Parker and Mens Basketball Coach/Athletic Director Pat Miller.

Parker, a Lieutenant in the Crawford County Sheriff's Office, has been involved in coaching in the Crawford AuSable Schools for 12 years. He currently coaches freshmen girls basketball at Grayling High School.

Parker has also coached Girls AAU basketball for 10 years, and assisted in starting the AuSable Valley Girls Basketball Club. He has been a member of the Basketball Coaches Association of Michigan since 1987.

"We have the athletes to compete, and the enthusiasm," said Parker. "We hope to represent northern Michigan and Kirtland College the best we can."

Miller is the owner and operator of U-Can-Shoot Camps & Clinics, a basketball teaching system. He served as Assistant Athletic Director and Head Mens Basketball Coach at

Northwood University from 1976 to 1991. During that time he also worked as shooting instructor for the Detroit Pistons.

Miller is a 1973 graduate of Michigan State University, where he was co-captain and recipient of the Most Valuable Player Award in his senior year.

Kirtland's new program will be governed and advised by a Student Athletic Advisory Board (SAAB), which includes the Vice President of Instruction, Athletic Director, several administrative officials/faculty and at least two members of the Student Senate. The Athletic Director will serve as the Chair of the Board.

Oppy put together a policy manual is being put together which outlines the operation, philosophy and objectives of the sports program.

Oppy also said the new basketball teams will play as "club" squads for the first year of competition and then apply for provisional membership in the Michigan Community College Athletic Association (MCCAA) to compete with other community college teams in the state.

A tentative schedule of "away" games and scrimmages for both teams has been arranged with squads from Alpena, Grand Rapids, St. Clair, Schoolcraft, and Lansing Community Colleges, and at least two "home" games will be played in gyms of various high schools within Kirtland's four-county district and at the CRAF Center in Roscommon.

Tryouts for the womens team have been set for October 8-10 (3-



Recently named Kirtland basketball coaches Jimmy Parker (above) and Pat Miller (right) speak at a news conference Monday.

5:30 p.m. on Oct. 8, 9-12 noon on Oct. 9, and 4-6 p.m. on Oct. 10 at the CRAF Center). Mens team tryouts will be held on October 4-5.

For more information contact either coach, or call Coordinator of Student Athletics Steve Oppy at (517) 275-5000.

To play, students must be registered full-time at KCC (12 credits) and have at least two years of college athletics eligibility left.

At the news conference, two KCC students modeled the teams' uniforms and warm-up jerseys. A mascot a nickname for the team will be chosen by the student body once the next semester starts up.

Student Senate members Kimberly Meadows and Kristy

Kemp, both of whom serve on the SAAB, said KCC students are excited at the prospect of their own athletic teams and look forward to a program of intramural sports, including basketball, softball, flag football, tennis, badminton, soccer, and others.

KCC representatives also mentioned the possibility of adding a sports complex to the college, and more sports teams.

"We're a growing institution and athletics, physical education, and recreational sports are a vital part of a student's life," said KCC Vice President Silverman.

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LEGAL ACTION

RECORD OF CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Meeting held on the 26th day of July, 1999 Grayling, Michigan

Meeting called to order by Mayor Stevens at 7:30 p.m.

Members Present: Stevens, Golnick, Ruddy, Palmer, Brown.

Members Absent: None.

Also in Attendance: Jerry W. Morford, City Manager, Terry McGregor, City Treasurer, Kay Ellen King, Dan Elliott and citizens.

99-77. Moved by Brown, supported by Ruddy that the minutes of the meeting of July 12, 1999 be approved as presented. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

Public Hearing, None.

Communications were received and noted.

a. Housing Commission Minutes of May 11, 1999.

b. Police Report for June 1999.

c. Crawford County letter regarding recycling. Mayor Stevens had questions on this letter. Commissioner Corlew stated that the new board decided not to fund city recycling this year but might in future years.

d. MERS. Mr. Morford noted that the employees had elected Dennis Long as employee Delegate and Steve Doyle as Employee Delegate Alternate to the MERS 1999 Annual Meeting in Dearborn.

Old Business.

a. D.D.A. Discussion.

Mr. Burmeister would like to discuss the D.D.A. before a vote is taken. Mayor Stevens agreed.

Mr. Burmeister introduced Jim Anderson, President of the D.D.A. in Roscommon who will speak to Council regarding the D.D.A.

Ms. Corlew stated that the Crawford County Commissioners had a meeting with Dave Camp who encouraged the formation of a D.D.A. as a positive step for Grayling noting it was nationally recognized as a tool.

Mayor Stevens noted that he was opposed to spending money to build a D.D.A. and thought City Council should appoint a committee to oversee development so we can use money now to do positive projects.

Mr. Goodale gave Council a letter expressing his questions that he would like answered.

Mayor Stevens raised questions regarding inclusion of the golf course and Dan Elliott spoke about the size of district and its effect on legal status of a declining area.

Mr. Dickinson wanted to know about the community committee, where will they get the money?

Mayor Stevens proposed an alternate structure with the Council approving all projects.

Mr. Elliott showed a map of the D.D.A. District after the Public Hearing and spoke regarding a smaller map and why.

Mr. Anderson spoke regarding the D.D.A. in Roscommon, is 6 or 7 years old, they met criteria, pumped money into it and the D.D.A. was formed just before Proposal A. They are doing well.

Mayor Stevens spoke on his alternate plan.

Mr. Burmeister spoke about the county resolution. He said that it shows co-operation between government bodies. He also stated that Kirtland gave a vote of confidence as did the County.

99-78. Moved by Brown, supported by Palmer to adopt the Resolution of the D.D.A. as proposed with a new district map, also that the triangle owned by the Catholic Church be excluded.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Brown, Palmer; Nays: Golnick, Ruddy, Stevens; Absent: None; Motion Failed.

99-79

Moved by Stevens, supported by Golnick to create a community investment authority to be developed by the City Attorney.

Motion was retracted. Mayor Stevens will have the City Attorney draw up a plan and present to Council at a later date.

b. Final Bill on the 1999 Street Improvement Project (Sidewalks).

99-80

Moved by Stevens, supported by Ruddy to approve Change Order #1 (Final) of an increase of \$6,217.95 in the 1999 Street Improvement Project (Sidewalks). Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

99-81

Moved by Brown, supported by Golnick to pay final invoice of \$71,703.60 to Hunt Bros. Poured Walls, Inc. for the 1999 Street Improvement Project (Sidewalks). Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

New Business.

a. Resolution honoring Pete Stephan.

99-82

Moved by Golnick, supported by Ruddy to adopt Resolution honoring Pete Stephan's retirement from the City of Grayling.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, in July of 1958 PETER W. STEPHAN became an Auxiliary Officer of the City of Grayling Police Department, and

WHEREAS, on March 31, 1971, PETER W. STEPHAN began work as a City Police Officer for the City of Grayling, and

WHEREAS, since October 1, 1972 he has served as Police Chief for the City of Grayling and has built the department into the fine professional organization it is today while also serving on state wide and federal legislative committees as well as rising to the office of President of the Michigan Association of Police Chiefs, and

WHEREAS, in June of 1991 he was appointed Cemetery Sexton and has done a detailed job of organizing old records and updating Cemetery information and has spent many week-ends and evening hours as well as regular office time selling lots, assisting families and supervising the care and use of Elmwood Cemetery, and

WHEREAS, on July 16, 1999, Peter retired from active city service.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council and Administration of the City of Grayling do hereby thank PETER W. STEPHAN on behalf of the Citizens of Grayling and wish him well in his retirement years.

FURTHER, that the City Council and Mayor proclaim July 31, 1999 as PETER W. STEPHAN DAY in the City of Grayling and urge all citizens to join in saluting PETE for a job well done.

Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

Citizens who wish to speak.

a. Ms. Bourrie asked about structure of a C.I.A. She inquired if any other communities have one. Mayor Stevens said he will use the City Attorney to draft a structure and will present same to Council for study and action.

Reports of City Members.

a. Ms. Palmer read the following. I have found in my tenure as a council person that there is a strong resistance by some on this Council to change, of any sort. I have routinely asked the question of why we do things a certain way, only to be told "that's how it's always been done". Well, its time for a change.

While the contribution to this community by the motels, fast food restaurants, and gas stations is appreciated, it is not enough. We need to fill those motels, restaurants, and gas stations.

Not only do we have a civic responsibility to take steps to help those businesses to increase their help, we have a responsibility to enhance the tourist trade that has long economically benefited this area. We already have natural attractions that other communities would love to have. Imagine how much more our community would benefit by these natural assets if we made the environment surrounding them appealing also. By enhancing tourism we would make Grayling a destination, rather than a momentary blip on the average traveler's vacation. By enhancing tourism we enhance our future.

It is my belief that establishing a Downtown Development Authority is the first step in helping this community help itself toward a brighter future in tourism and economic infrastructure.

Strengthening the economic infrastructure of our town, by way of a DDA, will keep Grayling's money in Grayling. Residents will be able to go downtown and buy things they now have to travel an hour away to get. Those businesses are not just going to appear in Grayling with the wave of a magic wand, we need to create an environment that attracts them.

The lack of vision several years ago by not going forward with a DDA has brought us to where we are today. We should not make the same mistake twice.

As leaders of this community, it is incumbent on us to lead the team effort at making this a better place. We need to set aside our individual biases and look at what is best for this community. Kirtland Community College supports the DDA; Grayling Township supports the DDA; and the County Board of Commissioners support a DDA.

Now its time for us to take the initiative and support the DDA. I urge everyone on this council to step forward and vote to establish a Downtown Development Authority.

lish a Downtown Development Authority.

99-83

Moved by Palmer, supported by Brown to adopt the D.D.A. as proposed using the original map.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Brown, Palmer; Nays: Golnick, Ruddy, Stevens; Absent: None; Motion Failed.

b. Mayor Stevens wanted to compliment the city crew on a job well done for the Milltown Festival.

Adjournment.

99-84

Moved by Stevens, supported by Golnick that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

Jerry W. Morford
City Manager & City Clerk

FORECLOSURE NOTICE

Peter M. Schneidman & Associates, P.C. is attempting to collect a debt for that purpose.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Ray D. McIntyre to Midwest Mortgage, Inc., Mortgagee, dated November 25, 1996, and recorded on November 27, 1996, in Liber 422, on page 156, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of EIGHT THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED NINE AND 95/100 DOLLARS (\$8,509.95), including interest at 8.125% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the Court Building in Grayling, Michigan, at 10:00 o'clock A.M., on Wednesday, September 29, 1999.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

LOTS 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, AND 8, BLOCK 2, PORTAGE LAKE PARK 5TH ADDITION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN LIBER 01 OF PLATS, PAGE 24, CRAWFORD COUNTY RECORDS. TAX ID # 045-765-02-001-00

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: August 10, 1999
Midwest Mortgage, Inc.,

Mortgagee
PETER M. SCHNEIDERMAN & ASSOCIATES, P.C.
30300 Northwestern Highway, Suite 222
Farmington Hills, MI 48334

-19-26-2-9-16

TO THE OWNER OR OWNERS OF ANY AND ALL INTERESTS IN, OR LIENS UPON THE LANDS HEREIN DESCRIBED:

Take Notice:

Sale was lawfully made of the following described land for unpaid taxes on that land and that the undersigned has title to the land under tax deed or deeds, issued for the land. You are entitled to a reconveyance of this land within 6 months after return of service of this notice, upon payment to the undersigned or to the treasurer of the county in which the land is situated, of all sums paid for the tax sale purchase, together with 50% in addition, and the fees of the sheriff for the service or cost of publication of this notice. The service or publication costs shall be the same as if for personal service of a summons upon commencement of an action, together with a sum of \$5 for each description, without other additional cost or charge. If payment as described in this notice is not made, the undersigned will institute proceedings for the possession of the land.

DESCRIPTION OF LAND

Beaver Creek Township, County of Crawford, State of Michigan, 20-050-028-001-160-00. Comm 48 rods W and 44 rods S of NE cor of NE 1/4 of Sec 28 T25N R3W th W 5 rods for POB th W 5 rods th S 16 rods th E 5 rods th N 16 rods to POB containing 1/2 ac m/l

Taxes paid for 1995, \$46.31; taxes paid for 1996, \$45.90.

Amount necessary to redeem, \$138.31 plus the fees of the Sheriff. This parcel is not an improved residential parcel.

Fredric P. Jackson/Trudy Jackson
10131 Stone Rd.
Roscommon, Michigan 48653

TO: Daniel Roy Aungst, P.O. Box 417,

Remus, MI 49665, last grantee in the regular chain of title of such property or of any interest therein as appearing by the records in the office of the Register of Deeds of said County -12-19-26-2

Notice of Mortgage Sale

To the Owner or Owners of any and all interests in, or liens upon the Lands here described:

Take Notice, that sale has been lawfully made of the following described land for unpaid taxes thereon, and that the undersigned has title thereto under tax deed or deeds, issued therefor, and that you are entitled to a reconveyance thereof, at any time within 6 months after return of service of this notice, upon payment to the Treasurer of the County in which the lands lie, of all sums paid upon this purchase, together with 50% additional thereto, and the fees of the Sheriff for the service plus cost of publication of this notice, to be computed as upon personal service of a Summons upon commencement of an Action, and without other additional cost or charges. If payment of aforesaid is not made, the undersigned will institute Proceedings for the possession of the land.

Lands and premises situated in the County of Crawford, and State of Michigan.

DESCRIPTION OF LANDS
Lot 116 Northern Heights, Warblers Hideaway Association.

Property tax code # 010-14-400-00-116-00.

Samuel M. Voydanoff. Last known address P.O. Box 30767, Gahanna, Ohio 43230.

Amount Necessary to redeem \$81.01 plus fees of Sheriff and cost of publication.

Persons shown above are last grantee in the regular chain title of such lands or of any interest therein as appearing by the records in the Register of Deeds office of said County, or holders of unrecorded Quit Claim Deeds to the land described above.

James A. McCleary, Tax Deed Holder
1985 Hyde Park
Troy, Michigan 48068

-5-12-19-26

BIDS WANTED

Bear Lake Township Fire Department has a remanufactured 1975 Kaiser Jeep 5 ton 6x6 water tanker for sale. Truck can be seen at Bear Lake Township Fire Department on M-72 East. Bids should be sent to 11411 M-72 S.E., Kalkaska, MI 49646. Mark bids "Truck" are to be received by 8-30-99. We reserve the right to refuse or reject any or all bids. Bids to be opened 9-6-99 at fire station. You are welcome to attend. -19-26

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Crawford County Housing and Community Development Commission will hold a public hearing scheduled for August 25, 1999 at 9:00 am in the Housing Commission office located at 203 Huron St., Grayling, MI. The purpose of the hearing is the county application for 1998 Michigan Community Development Block Grant Housing Program and Community Development involvement in MSHDA program for the amount of \$150,000.00.

The proposed grant funds will be used to provide housing rehabilitation of owner-occupied single-family dwellings of low and moderate income persons. Homes will be repaired so that they conform to the minimum standards of BOCA Basic Property Maintenance Code of HUD Section 8 Housing Quality Standards and all local ordinances to improve the housing stock of Crawford County.

**Equal Housing Opportunity
Equal Opportunity Employer**

CITY OF GRAYLING PUBLIC NOTICE

Any person desiring to become a candidate for the Grayling City Council in the November 2, 1999 city election must file a petition with the City Clerk, 103 S. James St., Grayling, Michigan, no later than 4:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 7, 1999.

The petition must be signed personally by no less than 20 nor more than 40 registered electors of the city.

The offices to be filled by election are: Three City Council Members.

Blank petitions are available at the City Office.

Jerry Morford
City Clerk

-19-26

FEATURES

HOROSCOPES

For The Week Of August 22-28

Aries

March 21-April 20

If you try, your excitement will catch on with other people. That's just what everyone needs at work... to get a little bit excited about what opportunities are available. Try to be a little more sensitive to the needs of a loved one.

Taurus

April 21-May 21

Use your creativity this week to help solve a problem at home. It might not seem like such a big problem once you look at it in a creative light. You may want to consider moving some or all of your financial accounts to another institution.

Gemini

May 22-June 21

Just because you are a great humanitarian doesn't mean you have to let people take advantage of you. You are starting to spread yourself too thin. Don't let it happen—you know what it does to your physical and mental health.

Cancer

June 22-July 22

You always put your family first, but this may be the week to do something just for yourself. Go shopping for a gift for yourself or go to a spa for a day. Your family really will understand and appreciate a more relaxed attitude.

Leo

July 23-August 23

People may think of you as the life of the party, the department comedian. Just don't get carried away this week at work. Someone may think you are goofing off too much if you are seen at an inopportune moment.

Virgo

August 24-September 22

Your energetic attitude is just what you need this week. Projects will start to pile up at work. You'll need all your energy just to stay focused on them and get them done. Save some energy for home, too. You'll need it.

Libra

September 23-October 23

As you head through the week, you will see how much your diplomacy can help you through some tough situations. Remember, there is a first time for everything. A difficult situation can teach you a lot about yourself and others.

Scorpio

October 24-November 22

Your ambitious plans and ideas will be at the forefront of your week. Don't let others deter your progress. Their negative energy could really work to hurt you if you let it. You know what is in your heart, and you know it's right, so keep on!

Sagittarius

November 23-December 21

Show some patience when you're dealing with children or the elderly. Just a little patience will go a long way! Plan to do something special with your family this weekend. It's been awhile since you've set aside time just for family.

Capricorn

December 22-January 20

Your practical outlook on life will be very important this week as you work to juggle deadlines, timing and schedules. Try to stay away from any confrontations. They will only upset you and interfere with getting things done.

Aquarius

January 21-February 18

Do not take things at face value this week. It's the week for you to look into what people do and say, because they may have a hidden meaning. Once you figure out whom you need to watch, you'll be able to accomplish a lot more.

Pisces

February 19-March 20

A true sense of satisfaction should surround your week. That is because you believe you are in control of your own destiny and goals...and you are. Just continue to stand up for yourself and be aggressive without being pushy.

For Entertainment Purposes Only

RECIPES OF THE WEEK

Jungle Trail Mix

4 cups animal crackers (9 ounces)
2 cups whole grain wheat and raisin squares
2 6-ounce packages mixed dried fruit bits
1 cup candy-coated milk chocolate pieces

Lemon Streusel

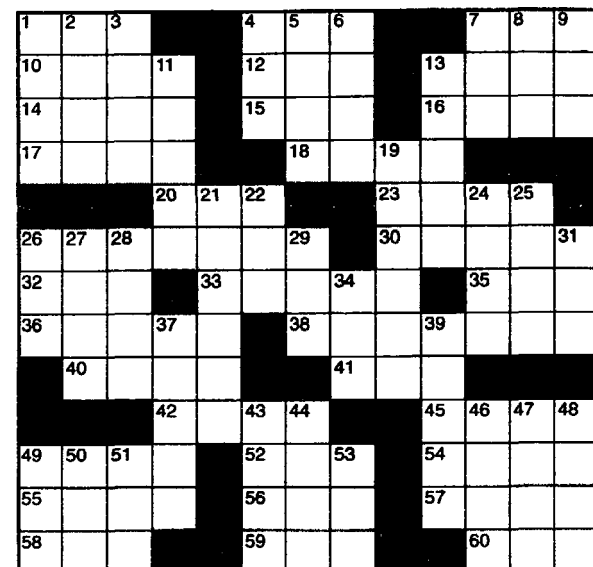
about 1/2 cup
1/3 cup graham cracker crumbs
1 tbsp. sugar
1 tbsp. butter, melted
1 tbsp. lemon icing

In a large bowl, combine all ingredients with wooden spoon; stir well. Pour mixture into a large storage container with a loose fitting cover. Makes 9 cups. (36 1/4 cup servings).



HOME NEEDED - Male Cocker mix, approximately 10 months old, housebroken. No small children. To adopt any of the pets available, stop by or give the Animal Shelter of Crawford County a call at 348-4117. Dog walk-a-thon September 5th. To collect pledges and/or walk or to make pledge call 348-4117. Walkers receive a commemorative T-shirt.

CROSSWORD



ACROSS

- Amigo
- Polka pattern part
- 1963 Newman film
- Imitation butter
- The Murders In The _____ Morgue
- Kappa preceptor
- Leo's sound
- Compass reading
- Scholarship criterion, often
- Gull's cousin
- Revenuers, for short
- Three _____ Match (1932 Bogie flick) (2 wds.)
- Eliot or Loch
- Exchanges
- Australian _____
- Artist Yoko
- Leo follower
- Martian's sci-fi ammo
- Life raft word
- Southwest, for one
- Care for
- "Aura" _____
- Sunrise direction
- Olympians
- Dodge
- Exasperate
- Fascinate
- _____ Rock Café
- Wedding announcement word
- 31.6 million seconds, give or take
- Empire Of The _____
- Chicken Little's concern
- Crafty

DOWN

- Seaman's haven
- African fiber source
- TV's Norman
- Hosp. figures
- Banish
- Be prolific
- Weed remover
- Shoshonean
- Ozzie, to Ricky
- Whether _____ (either way) (2 wds.)
- Of the soul
- Theater-goer's bonus
- Arizona's neighbor
- John-John's stepfather
- Garb for Mrs. Gandhi
- Kind of dive
- Announcer Costas
- Med. subj.
- Audition award
- Mrs.: Sp.
- Caustic compound
- "_____ Blas"
- Bergen dummy
- Like Betty Grable or Gwen Verdon
- _____ Of Jezebel (1933 film)
- Adventurous journey
- Mine finds
- Second-hand spot
- Nimble
- Type of cassette
- Agua, across the Pyrenees
- Fish-eating eagle
- Islet

ANSWERS IN CLASSIFIEDS

A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 Years Ago August 19, 1976

2,486 voters in the Crawford AuSable School District turned out Monday and passed the 9.15 mil renewal for operations. Just under 50% of the registered voters cast their ballots.

Approximately 350 acres of jack pine were destroyed in two fires, August 3 and 11. Five nesting sites were destroyed in the first fires. It is estimated that only about 200 of the nearly extinct species still remain in the world.

Grayling and the AuSable were prominently mentioned when more than three hundred persons from 40 states gave a standing ovation to our own George Griffith. We are justly proud that Grayling was the cradle of this magnificent concept of clean water, wild trout and limiting the kill. The present Board of Directors and assembled members gave tribute to George Griffith because he and George Mason spawned the idea and Griffith saw it reach fruition.

The Youth Services group removed over five, 55 gallon bags of trash from Ray's to I-75, fifteen minutes of floating time.

The footings for the new Lovells Fire Hall have been poured and the laying of blocks will soon be started.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sorenson and her brother, Joe Wardell of Lansing spent a week in White Lake, Ontario. They went to do some fishing.

46 Years Ago August 20, 1953

Dr. C. G. Clippert is getting about on crutches as he received two broken bones in his toe when a heavy X-ray cassette fell on his foot.

Mrs. Emma Weiss enjoyed a visit from her son last week. Sgt. George Weiss, his wife and four children, who came from Fuji, Japan. Sgt. Weiss is stationed with the Army in

Japan and is returning there. They had five days here.

Earl Rasmussen has completed his studies at CMCE and is visiting at his home here.

Billy Tinker celebrated his sixth birthday on August 7 and had his neighborhood playmates as his guests for the afternoon. His mother, Mrs. William Tinker, served refreshments along with birthday cake.

Wednesday, August 12 was Toni Madsen's eighth birthday and she had eight guests for the afternoon. Some games were played and lunchtime there was a beautiful blue, yellow and white decorated birthday cake holding 8 blue tapers, that was served with ice cream.

Mr. and Mrs. J.E. Strong left Monday morning for a weeks tour in the U.P. expecting to go as far north as Copper Harbor.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred J. Sorenson and children returned home Saturday after spending several days vacationing at Breaugh's on Houghton Lake.

Jack Welch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Les Welch was eight years old on Monday.

69 Years Ago August 21, 1930

Rev. J. W. Greenwood was asked to return to Grayling for another year as pastor of Michelson Memorial Church.

T.P. Peterson and Roy Milnes attended a meeting of retail lumber dealers in Petoskey, Tuesday.

George Sorenson has just completed an addition of two rooms to his cottage on the Danish Landing, Lake Margrethe, making it now a comfortable seven room cottage.

Miss Pauline Lietz is spending her two weeks vacation from her duties as bookkeeper for Sorenson brothers, visiting her friends in Bay City.

Fred Hoesli is taking Earl

Dawson's place as manager of the local A & P Store, while the latter is on vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Sherman and Mr. and Mrs. Russell Cripps were in Hillman Sunday and found the town all in the height of excitement. Cyril Hunt, one of the bandits that had robbed the bank there of \$15,000 in money and bonds a few weeks before had been captured. He had been hiding in a thick swamp and boldly came into town and was nabbed by State Police.

Mrs. John Stephan, Jr., and children are camping at Baldwin, where Mr. Stephan has employment for the summer.

The Life Saving program at Lake Margrethe on August 13 and 14 was a big success. F.R. Welsh and Joe Kessler were re-examined for examiners and Harold Edwards and Rudy Harrison for Senior Life Saving. Ben Jr. and Arnold Jerome, Betty Jane and Marjorie Gail are Junior Life Savers

92 Years Ago August 22, 1907

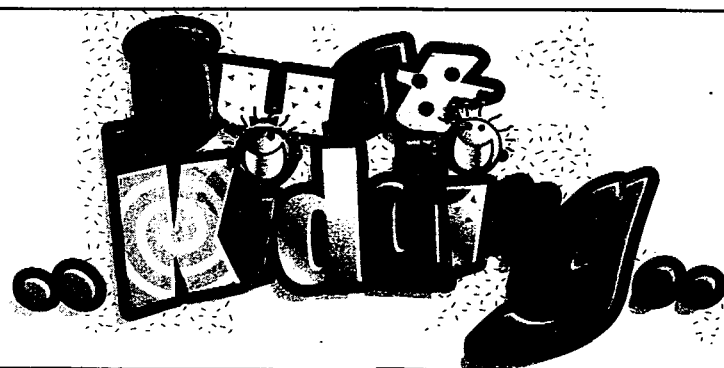
The new crosswalks and sidewalks at the old corner east of the depot have been built, making an immense improvement in that location.

A good many of the village ladies are enjoying picnics in the raspberry patches throughout the county. The fruit is prime and plentiful.

Chief Shoppenagons with his granddaughter, Nancy, and her baby went to Saginaw Monday morning to be a part of the big home coming. "Shop" says, "All Indian dress."

H. C. McKinley has sold the Otsego Herald and will retire from active business. He has published this paper for a quarter of a century.

Some needed repairs at the dam and power house of the electric light plant this week has obliged the village to patronize the Standard Oil Co. again.



SEEK AND FIND

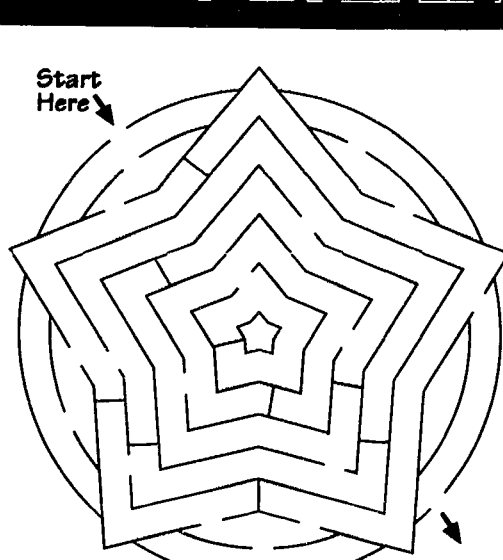
FIND THESE WORDS IN THE PUZZLE BELOW.

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TEENAGE
WAGE

THE WORDS READ UP, DOWN AND ACROSS.

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MAZE



WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling



Date	H	L	8 a.m.	Rainfall
8/10	70	43	60	0.04"
8/11	76	59	61	
8/12	81	61	67	0.30"
8/13	76	46	51	
8/14	71	43	42	
8/15	76	43	62	
8/16	78	62	64	0.02"

Extended Forecast courtesy of the U.S. Weather Service in Gaylord: Wednesday - mostly cloudy with a high near 70. Thursday - dry with a low near 50 and a high in the low to mid 70's. Friday and Saturday - continued dry and a little warmer each day with a low around 50 and a high around 80.

ADVERTISING CLASSIFIED

Classifieds **must** be paid for in advance

Display Advertising Rate - \$5.75 per column inch

Deadline for Display Classifieds - 12 noon, Monday

Classifieds by the word rate - \$4.00 for 15 words or

less, 10¢ per each additional word; includes Internet listing:

www.townnews.com/avalanche/

Classified by the word deadline - 12 noon, Tuesday



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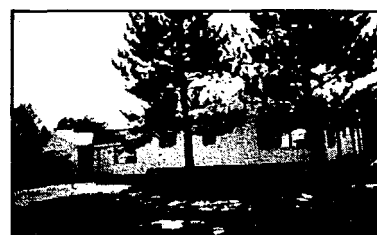
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Licensed Assistant

THIS 2 STORY CONTEMPORARY CREATES VISUAL EXCITEMENT! 100' LAKE MARGRETHE FRONTAGE. A huge foyer says, "Come in!" Spacious living room has multi-paned windows and fireplace. Company coming? Dine in style in this formal dining room. Efficiently designed kitchen with ample storage and counter space. Master bedroom, has 2 separate dressing areas, 2 walk in closets, whirlpool tub and private oak deck. **\$425,000 CH-993**



OFFICE BUILDING on I-75 business loop. A great location for new business. 1,182 sq. ft., 20x20 garage that would provide ample storage space. Interior divided into 5 offices. Large parking area with high visibility. **GREAT OPPORTUNITY!! \$84,900 CH-1006**



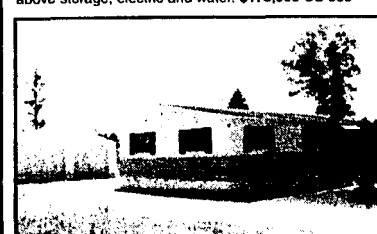
NICE HOME IN THE CITY! New vinyl siding & roof. 3 bedroom, 1 bath offers 1,300 sq. ft. with natural gas heat, new gas log fireplace in family room. Formal dining room, fresh paint throughout. Partial basement, 1 1/2 car attached garage. Fenced in yard, walkout patio door onto large deck with bench seating. Immediate occupancy. Close to hospital, schools and shopping. **Reduced \$68,000 CS-837**



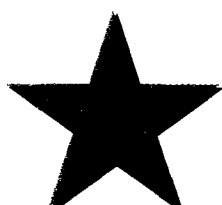
THIS AUISIBLE RIVERFRONT retreat is immaculate inside and out. Mainstream only 20' from front deck and screened porch. Quality features include knotty pine T&G beamed ceilings, fireplace with heatilator, high grade Berber carpeting, full window wall in living room, dining with extensive views of river. Oak cabinets, stove, dishwasher and washer & dryer. **Reduced \$141,900 CH-991**



225' ON THE FAMOUS MANISTEE RIVER. Beautiful 3 bedroom, 2 bath with full finished basement with family room. Central air. New sunroom with view of gorgeous Manistee Riverfront. Large Anderson window in master bath along with a hexagon window in living room for maximum view. Visionized walkway circling the right side of house leading to river. Appliances include refrigerator, stove, Magic-Chef washer & dryer. Attached 2 car finished garage. Also includes 2 storage sheds with above storage, electric and water. **\$175,000 CS-956**



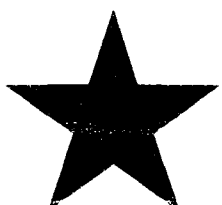
"SPOTLESS" Three bedroom home! Large double lot. Like new range, refrigerator, microwave, washer, dryer and hot water heater. 10x15 covered rear patio. Digital programmable natural gas thermostat. No Appointment Necessary. **\$49,900 CH-986**



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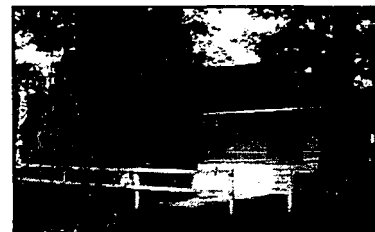
3557 M-72 EAST. This home or cottage has 2.25 acres, 1,160 sq. ft. Includes family room, vaulted ceilings, over sized kitchen, many built-ins, bow windows, garage, wood-shed, deck, master bed room suite with jacuzzi tub. Near Wakeley Lake recreation area. **\$45,000 CH-904**



GREAT LOCATION CLOSE TO TOWN!! Newly remodeled, 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths has 1,146 sq. ft., sunroom, open dining, living room combination. Natural gas force air heat, crawl space. New carpet and fresh paint! **\$68,500 CS-1026**



COMPLETELY RENOVATED 4 bedroom, 2 baths, two story home, just 2 blocks from downtown, schools and hospital. Ideal location for home office or services. Large kitchen, ceramic tile flooring, new cabinetry, built-in oven, range top, dishwasher, refrigerator, walk-in pantry, hardwood floors in living room, double set french doors, side doorwalls onto deck. Nicely landscaped, large shade trees and white picket fence. **\$121,900 CH-920**



4 COTTAGES - APPROX. 350' AWAY FROM LAKE MARGRETHE! These delightful cottages give the perfect advantage for a large family or a money making opportunity. Nearly 824 sq. ft. per unit. Close to town for convenience, yet distant enough for privacy. Deals like this are few and far between. Don't be left out! This is a must see! **\$115,000 CS-1002**



DOUBLE CITY CORNER LOT. Located on corner of Ogemaw & Galen, Michigan Ave. 824 sq. ft. home with 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, knotty pine interior, natural gas heat, updated electrical and heating, 1 car detached garage. Very conveniently located. Immediate occupancy. **\$46,500 CH-932**



VERY WELL MAINTAINED HOME ON 2.5 ACRES. This home is your ticket to paradise, with a garage big enough for all your toys, the fun starts! The cozy 2 bedroom was remodeled 3 years ago. The open living room, dining room and kitchen complement the property's natural setting. The home is set back enough for privacy yet centrally located between Roscommon, Grayling and Houghton Lake. **\$63,000 CS-1020**

1. Real Estate

AUSABLE RIVER FRONT LOT near Mcmasters Bridge 200' frontage x 256' deep. 0% financing available. Call (740) 797-2801. (LR/2/99/1)

MANY NORTHERN MICHIGAN PROPERTIES www.centur21grayling.com (1/7/99tf/1)

I BUY HOUSE and land contracts. Pay cash. Quick closings. Are you facing foreclosure? Divorce? Leaving the area? Don't ruin your credit. Call Peninsula Funding 1-800-641-1717. (3/11/99tf/1)

AUSABLE MAINSTREAM year round home. 149 ft. frontage, two bedroom, two bath, full basement, all hardwood floors. 24 x 24 detached garage with electric 30 x 40 pole barn on 1.73 acreage. Five miles east of Grayling. **\$147,500 (517) 348-9428 (-12-19/1)**

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NEAT AND CLEAN 60' x 14' two bedroom 1994 mobile with 8 x 6 deck. Situated on huge lot in nice subdivision backing state land. Low traffic area makes it the perfect spot for kids. Vacant and ready to move into. \$27,500 Call Rita today at (517) 821-6881, Real Estate One of Higgins Lake, Inc. (-12-19/1)

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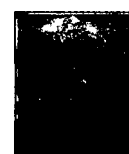


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For The Week Of August 22-28

Aries

March 21-April 20

If you try, your excitement will catch on with other people. That's just what everyone needs at work... to get a little bit excited about what opportunities are available. Try to be a little more sensitive to the needs of a loved one.

Taurus

April 21-May 21

Use your creativity this week to help solve a problem at home. It might not seem like such a big problem once you look at it in a creative light. You may want to consider moving some or all of your financial accounts to another institution.

Gemini

May 22-June 21

Just because you are a great humanitarian doesn't mean you have to let people take advantage of you. You are starting to spread yourself too thin. Don't let it happen—you know what it does to your physical and mental health.

Cancer

June 22-July 22

You always put your family first, but this may be the week to do something just for yourself. Go shopping for a gift for yourself or go to a spa for a day. Your family really will understand and appreciate a more relaxed attitude.

Leo

July 23-August 23

People may think of you as the life of the party, the department comedian. Just don't get carried away this week at work. Someone may think you are goofing off too much if you are seen at an inopportune moment.

Virgo

August 24-September 22

Your energetic attitude is just what you need this week. Projects will start to pile up at work. You'll need all your energy just to stay focused on them and get them done. Save some energy for home, too. You'll need it.

Libra

September 23-October 23

As you head through the week, you will see how much your diplomacy can help you through some tough situations. Remember, there is a first time for everything. A difficult situation can teach you a lot about yourself and others.

Scorpio

October 24-November 22

Your ambitious plans and ideas will be at the forefront of your week. Don't let others deter your progress. Their negative energy could really work to hurt you if you let it. You know what is in your heart, and you know it's right, so keep on!

Sagittarius

November 23-December 21

Show some patience when you're dealing with children or the elderly. Just a little patience will go a long way! Plan to do something special with your family this weekend. It's been awhile since you've set aside time just for family.

Capricorn

December 22-January 20

Your practical outlook on life will be very important this week as you work to juggle deadlines, timing and schedules. Try to stay away from any confrontations. They will only upset you and interfere with getting things done.

Aquarius

January 21-February 18

Do not take things at face value this week. It's the week for you to look into what people do and say, because they may have a hidden meaning. Once you figure out whom you need to watch, you'll be able to accomplish a lot more.

Pisces

February 19-March 20

A true sense of satisfaction should surround your week. That is because you believe you are in control of your own destiny and goals...and you are. Just continue to stand up for yourself and be aggressive without being pushy.

For Entertainment Purposes Only

RECIPES OF THE WEEK

Jungle Trail Mix

4 cups animal crackers (9 ounces)
2 cups whole grain wheat and raisin squares
2 6-ounce packages mixed dried fruit bits
1 cup candy-coated milk chocolate pieces

In a large bowl, combine all ingredients with wooden spoon; stir well. Pour mixture into a large storage container with a loose fitting cover. Makes 9 cups. (36 1/4 cup servings).

Lemon Streusel

about 1/2 cup

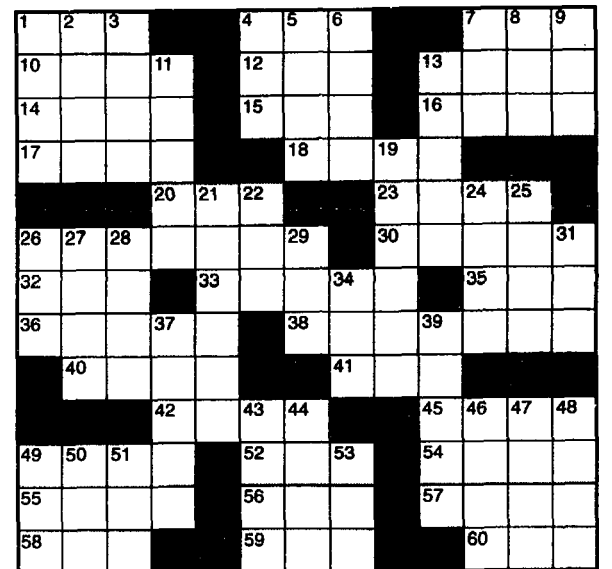
1/3 cup graham cracker crumbs
1 tbsp. sugar
1 tbsp. butter, melted
1 tbsp. lemon icing

1. Combine all ingredients, stirring until crumbly.



HOME NEEDED - Male Cocker mix, approximately 10 months old, housebroken. No small children. To adopt any of the pets available, stop by or give the Animal Shelter of Crawford County a call at 348-4117. Dog walk-a-thon September 5th. To collect pledges and/or walk or to make pledge call 348-4117. Walkers receive a commemorative T-shirt.

CROSSWORD



ACROSS

- Amigo
- Polka pattern part
- 1963 Newman film
- Imitation butter
- The Murders In The _____
- Kappa preceptor
- Leo's sound
- Compass reading
- Scholarship criterion, often
- Gull's cousin
- Revenuers, for short
- Three _____ Match (1932 Bogie flick) (2 wds.)
- Eliot or Loch
- Exchanges
- Australian _____
- Artist Yoko
- Leo follower
- Martian's sci-fi ammo
- Life raft wood
- Southwest, for one
- Care for
- "Aura _____"
- Sunrise direction
- Olympians
- Dodge
- Exasperate
- Fascinate
- _____ Rock Café
- Wedding announcement word
- 31.6 million seconds, give or take
- Empire Of The _____
- Chicken Little's concern
- Crafty

DOWN

- Seaman's haven
- African fiber source
- TV's Norman
- Hosp. figures
- Banish
- Be prolific
- Weed remover
- Shoshonean
- Ozzie, to Ricky
- Whether _____ (either way) (2 wds.)
- Of the soul
- Theater-goer's bonus
- Arizona's neighbor
- John-John's stepfather
- Garb for Mrs. Gandhi
- Kind of dive
- Announcer Costas
- Med. subj.
- Audition award
- Mrs.: Sp.
- Caustic compound
- "_____ Bias"
- Bergen dummy
- Like Betty Grable or Gwen Verdon
- _____ Of Jezebel (1953 film)
- Adventurous journey
- Mine finds
- Second-hand spot
- Nimble
- Type of cassette
- Agua, across the Pyrenees
- Fish-eating eagle
- Islet

ANSWERS IN CLASSIFIEDS

A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 Years Ago August 19, 1976

2,486 voters in the Crawford AuSable School District turned out Monday and passed the 9.15 mil renewal for operations. Just under 50% of the registered voters cast their ballots.

Approximately 350 acres of jack pine were destroyed in two fires, August 3 and 11. Five nesting sites were destroyed in the first fires. It is estimated that only about 200 of the nearly extinct species still remain in the world.

Grayling and the AuSable were prominently mentioned when more than three hundred persons from 40 states gave a standing ovation to our own George Griffith. We are justly proud that Grayling was the cradle of this magnificent concept of clean water, wild trout and limiting the kill. The present Board of Directors and assembled members gave tribute to George Griffith because he and George Mason spawned the idea and Griffith saw it reach fruition.

The Youth Services group removed over five, 55 gallon bags of trash from Ray's to I-75, fifteen minutes of floating time.

The footings for the new Lovells Fire Hall have been poured and the laying of blocks will soon be started.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sorenson and her brother, Joe Wardell of Lansing spent a week in White Lake, Ontario. They went to do some fishing.

46 Years Ago August 20, 1953

Dr. C. G. Clippert is getting about on crutches as he received two broken bones in his toe when a heavy X-ray cassette fell on his foot.

Mrs. Emma Weiss enjoyed a visit from her son last week. Sgt. George Weiss, his wife and four children, who came from Fuji, Japan. Sgt. Weiss is stationed with the Army in

Japan and is returning there. They had five days here.

Earl Rasmussen has completed his studies at CMCE and is visiting at his home here.

Billy Tinker celebrated his sixth birthday on August 7 and had his neighborhood playmates as his guests for the afternoon. His mother, Mrs. William Tinker, served refreshments along with birthday cake.

Wednesday, August 12 was Toni Madsen's eighth birthday and she had eight guests for the afternoon. Some games were played and lunchtime there was a beautiful blue, yellow and white decorated birthday cake holding 8 blue tapers, that was served with ice cream.

Mr. and Mrs. J.E. Strong left Monday morning for a weeks tour in the U.P. expecting to go as far north as Copper Harbor.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred J. Sorenson and children returned home Saturday after spending several days vacationing at Breaugh's on Houghton Lake.

Jack Welch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Les Welch was eight years old on Monday.

69 Years Ago August 21, 1930

Rev. J. W. Greenwood was asked to return to Grayling for another year as pastor of Michelson Memorial Church.

T.P. Peterson and Roy Milnes attended a meeting of retail lumber dealers in Petoskey, Tuesday.

George Sorenson has just completed an addition of two rooms to his cottage on the Danish Landing, Lake Margrethe, making it now a comfortable seven room cottage.

Miss Pauline Lietz is spending her two weeks vacation from her duties as bookkeeper for Sorenson brothers, visiting her friends in Bay City.

Fred Hoesli is taking Earl

Dawson's place as manager of the local A & P Store, while the latter is on vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Sherman and Mr. and Mrs. Russell Cripps were in Hillman Sunday and found the town all in the height of excitement. Cyril Hunt, one of the bandits that had robbed the bank there of \$15,000 in money and bonds a few weeks before had been captured. He had been hiding in a thick swamp and boldly came into town and was nabbed by State Police.

Mrs. John Stephan, Jr., and children are camping at Baldwin, where Mr. Stephan has employment for the summer.

The Life Saving program at Lake Margrethe on August 13 and 14 was a big success. F.R. Welsh and Joe Kesseler were re-examined for examiners and Harold Edwards and Rudy Harrison for Senior Life Saving. Ben Jr. and Arnold Jerome, Betty Jane and Marjorie Gail are Junior Life Savers

92 Years Ago August 22, 1907

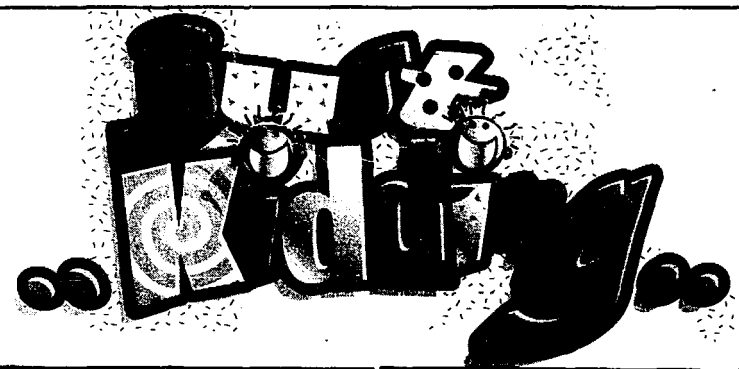
The new crosswalks and side-walks at the old corner east of the depot have been built, making an immense improvement in that location.

A good many of the village ladies are enjoying picnics in the raspberry patches throughout the county. The fruit is prime and plentiful.

Chief Shoppenagons with his granddaughter, Nancy, and her baby went to Saginaw Monday morning to be a part of the big home coming. "Shop" says, "All Indian dress."

H. C. McKinley has sold the Otsego Herald and will retire from active business. He has published this paper for a quarter of a century.

Some needed repairs at the dam and power house of the electric light plant this week has obliged the village to patronize the Standard Oil Co. again.



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FIND THESE WORDS IN THE PUZZLE BELOW.

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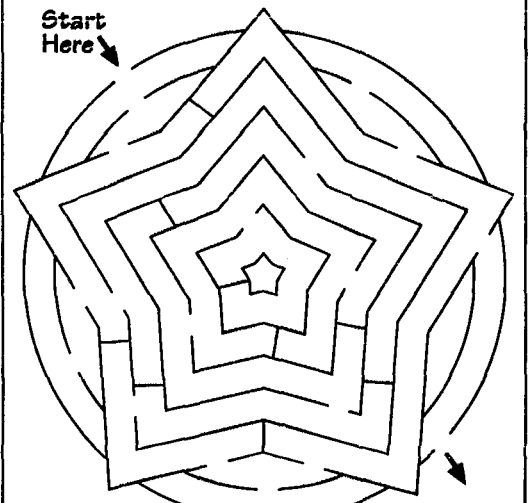
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THE WORDS READ UP, DOWN AND ACROSS.

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MAZE

Start Here



WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling



Date	H	L	8 a.m.	Rainfall
8/10	70	43	60	0.04"
8/11	76	59	61	
8/12	81	61	67	0.30"
8/13	76	46	51	
8/14	71	43	42	
8/15	76	43	62	
8/16	78	62	64	0.02"

Extended Forecast courtesy of the U.S. Weather Service in Gaylord: Wednesday - mostly cloudy with a high near 70. Thursday - dry with a low near 50 and a high in the low to mid 70's. Friday and Saturday - continued dry and a little warmer each day with a low around 50 and a high around 80.

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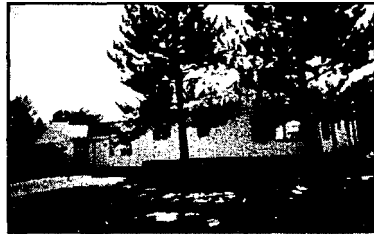
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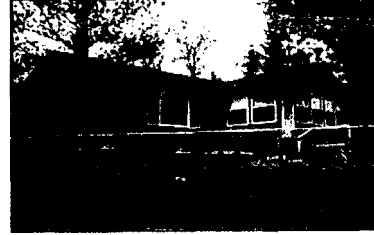
OFFICE BUILDING on I-75 business loop. Great location for new business. 1,182 sq. ft.. 20x20 garage that would provide ample storage space. Interior divided into 5 offices. Large parking area with high visibility. **GREAT OPPORTUNITY!! \$84,900 CH-1006**



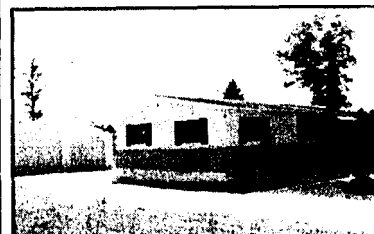
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THIS AUSALE RIVERFRONT retreat is immaculate inside and out. Mainstream only 20' from front deck and screen porch. Quality features include knotty pine T&G beamed ceilings, fireplace with heatlady, high grade Berber carpeting, full window wall in living room, dining with extensive views of river. Oak cabinets, stove, dishwasher and washer & dryer. **Reduced \$141,900 CH-991**



225' ON THE FAMOUS MANISTEE RIVER. Beautiful 3 bedroom, 2 bath with full finished basement with family room. Central air. New sunroom with view of gorgeous Manistee Riverfront. Lender's 9x9 hexagon window in master bath along with a hexagon window in living room for maximum light. Customized walkway circling the right side of house leading to river. Appliances include refrigerator, stove, Magic-Chef washer & dryer. Attached 2 car finished garage. Also includes 2 storage sheds with above storage, electric and water. **\$175,000 CS-956**



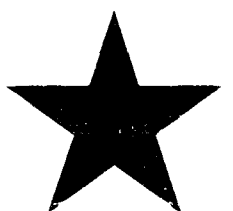
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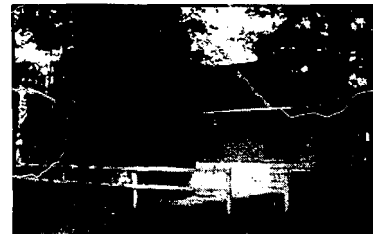
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GREAT LOCATION CLOSE TO TOWN!! Newly remodeled, 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths has 1,146 sq. ft., sunroom, open dining, living room combination. Natural gas force air heat, crawl space. New carpet and fresh paint and paper throughout. Immediate occupancy! **\$68,500 CS-1026**



COMPLETELY RENOVATED 4 bedroom, 2 baths, two story home, just 2 blocks from downtown, schools and hospital. Ideal location for home office or services. Large kitchen, ceramic tile flooring, new cabinetry, built-in oven, range top, dishwasher, refrigerator, walk-in pantry, hardwood floors in living room, double set french doors, side doorwall onto deck. Nicely landscaped, large shade trees and white picket fence. **\$121,900 CH-920**



4 COTTAGES - APPROX. 350' AWAY FROM LAKE MARGRETHE! These delightful cottages give the perfect advantage for a large family or a money making opportunity. Nearly 624 sq. ft. per unit. Close to town for convenience, yet distant enough for privacy. Deals like this are few and far between. Don't be left out! This is a must see! **\$115,000 CS-1002**



DOUBLE CITY CORNER LOT. Located on corner of Ogema & Galen, Michigan Ave. 824 sq. ft. home with 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, knotty pine interior, natural gas heat, updated electrical and heating. 1 car detached garage. Very conveniently located. Immediate occupancy. **\$46,500 CH-932**



VERY WELL MAINTAINED HOME ON 2.5 ACRES. This home is your ticket to paradise, with a garage big enough for all your toys, the fun starts! The cozy 2 bedroom was remodeled 3 years ago. The open living room, dining room and kitchen complement the property's natural setting. The home is set back enough for privacy yet centrally located between Roscommon, Grayling and Houghton Lake. **\$63,000 CS-1020**

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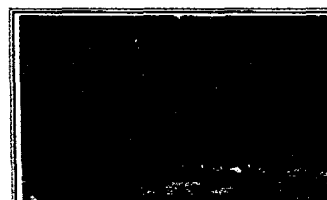
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3. Employment

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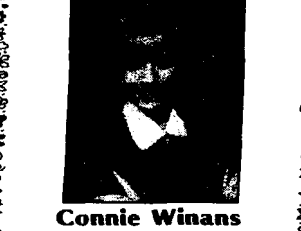
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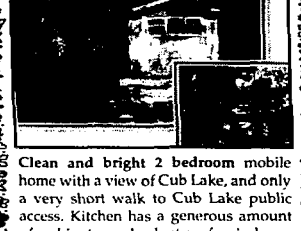
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3. Employment

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7. Miscellaneous

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8. Announcements

GRAYLING ADVENTIST SCHOOL has enrollment openings in grades 1-8. School starts August 23. (517) 348-6760 or (517) 785-2609 (-12-19-26-2/8)

8. Announcements

IT'S SCHOOL TIME AGAIN! The Grayling Cooperative Preschool still has openings for three and four year olds. For registration call Cory at (517) 348-2434. (-19-26/8)

SPEAKEASY SALOON Happy Hour 4-6 p.m. The 22 oz. draft is back! Sunday and Monday - Karaoke! (-5-12-19-26/8)

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9. Personals

HAPPY BIRTHDAY T.J. my groovy Grayling man. You're the best. I love you. Paula. (-19/9)

10. Garage Sales

GARAGE SALE Saturday, August 21, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. One day only. Large size women's clothes, fast track, miscellaneous items, some furniture. 2077 Wales Ave., behind Aunt Betty's. (-19/10)

9. Personals

PRAYER TO THE BLESSED Virgin (Never known to fail) Oh, most beautiful flower of Mt. Carmel, fruitful vine, splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in my necessity. Oh star of the sea, help me and show me here, you are my mother. Oh Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to succor me in my necessity (make request). There are none that can withstand your power. O Mary, conceived without sin pray for us who have recourse to thee (three times). Holy Mary, I place this prayer in your hands (three times.) Say this prayer for three consecutive days and then you must publish it, and it will be granted to you.

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